



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff
COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads
FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager
DATE: February 22, 2019
SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF February 18, 2019

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

On Tuesday, February 19, the Plan Commission held a regular meeting where they conducted three public hearings. The first public hearing was on a request by Northbrook Baseball, Inc. (1851 Janke Drive) to rezone the property from I-1 to ICS and a special permit for a baseball training facility in excess of 2,500 sq. ft. The resolution recommending approval with conditions will be on the February 26 Village Board agenda.

The second public hearing was on a request by Sterling Place Planned Development (1910 Techny Road) for a concept plan approval for an 84-unit townhome development. The Commission expressed concerns about guest parking, protection around the retention pond, and the need for additional sidewalks. The public hearing was continued to the March 19 Plan Commission meeting.

The third public hearing was on a request by Bank of America (1200 Shermer Road), for a subdivision and special permit to allow construction of a freestanding bank building with accessory drive-through. The Commission expressed concern about the proposed detention and access onto Shermer Road. The hearing was continued to the March 19 Plan Commission meeting.

The next Plan Commission meeting is Tuesday, March 5, which will include the first public hearing for the Northbrook Court Redevelopment proposal.

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING

On Wednesday, February 20, the Youth Commission held a regular meeting. During the meeting, the Commission reviewed its recent Academic Wellness forum and continued planning for the upcoming forums on Mindfulness and Relationships. The Mindfulness forum will take place Sunday, April 7 from 2-4pm at the library. The next Youth Commission meeting is Wednesday, March 20.

NORTHBROOK SENIOR SERVICES ROUND TABLE

On Wednesday, February 20, the Northbrook Senior Services Round Table met at the Northfield Township Food Pantry. Representatives of local agencies who serve seniors, as well as Village Trustee Jason Han, Senior Services Commissioner Sandra Whitmore, Village Commission Liaison Betsy Garibaldi, and Northbrook Police Counseling Services Director Nancy Vaccaro attended the bi-annual meeting. During the meeting, attendees learned about the services and goods offered at Northfield Township's Food Pantry and the local grocery stores who donate goods to stock the shelves. Each agency representative shared updates

on the services their agency offers to seniors. For more information on senior services in and around Northbrook, visit www.northbrook.il.us/Seniors

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

On Thursday, February 21, the Environmental Quality Commission held its regular monthly meeting. At the meeting, the Commission continued their discussion of a single-use plastic bag ban in the Village. The Commission plans to make a formal recommendation to the Village Board to implement a plastic bag recycling program at Village buildings, purchase and distribute reusable shopping bags, and establish a leave one/take one program for clean unwanted reusable shopping bags. The Commission continued their discussion on responsible pesticide use and process of educating residents and landscapers in Northbrook. Lastly, the Commission discussed preparations for the annual Earth & Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday, April 13.

The next Environmental Quality Commission meeting is Thursday, March 21.

JOINT REVIEW BOARD - NORTHBROOK COURT REDEVELOPMENT AREA

On Thursday, February 21, the Joint Review Board (JRB) for the proposed Northbrook Court Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District met. After reviewing a proposal from the developer to provide supplemental funding to School Districts 28 and 225, the JRB voted unanimously to adopt a resolution supporting the creation of a new TIF district involving the Macy's portion of Northbrook Court. The Board of Trustees will consider the merits of the proposed TIF district at a public hearing scheduled for April 9, 2019.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

On Thursday, February 21, the Architectural Control Commission (ACC) held a regular meeting. At the meeting, the Commission reviewed two dockets also under review by the Plan Commission. The ACC reviewed the Sterling Place Planned Development (1910 Techny) and found the proposal to be appropriate as presented and recommended approval of the concept plan.

The ACC also conducted its review of the Northbrook Court Redevelopment proposal. Following a presentation from staff and the Applicant, the Commission discussed the proposed redevelopment consisting of communal interior and exterior spaces for the shopping center, the overall site plan, and the design of the residential apartment building. The ACC found the proposed plan to be appropriate as presented and unanimously recommended approval of the plan. The grocery store design, freestanding restaurant design, and all signage will return for a separate review at a later date.

The Commission also reviewed and approved a new alternate building elevation for the Anets Woods development. Lastly, the ACC approved the elevations for six new single-family homes.

POLICE NEWS

On Thursday, February 21, at approximately 2 a.m. Northbrook Police Officers responded to a 911 call in the 200 block of Old Post Road regarding a possible overdose. Upon arrival, the subject was found unresponsive. After observation, Officers administered a dose of Narcan and within 20 seconds the subject began to respond, and within a minute was fully responsive. Paramedics arrived on scene and transported the subject to the hospital.

COFFEE WITH A COP

On Thursday morning, February 21, several representatives from the Northbrook Police Department, including Chief Roger Adkins, Community Relations Supervisor Tom Moore, and Commander Mark Graf greeted customers at Dunkin Donuts during Northbrook's second 'Coffee with a Cop' event.

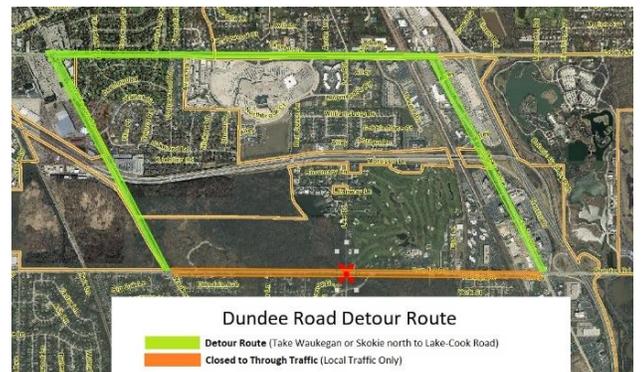


Attend the next 'Coffee with a Cop' on Thursday, March 21, from 3:30-4:30 p. m., at Covenant Village (2625 Techny Road). All are invited to meet some of Northbrook's finest in a casual atmosphere and chat over a cup of coffee. Who knows, you may get to meet Pongo, Northbrook's K9 officer!



DUNDEE ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT

This week, the Illinois Department of Transportation's (IDOT) contractor began the preliminary work on the Dundee Road Culvert Replacement Project. Next week, crews will continue the initial work needed for the project to begin, including clearing trees and constructing the temporary stormwater storage facility. Starting Monday, February 25, staff anticipates daily lane closures as crews work in the project area. However, Dundee will remain open to through traffic during this period.



Once this preliminary work is completed, Dundee Road will be closed to through traffic between Waukegan Road and Skokie Boulevard with traffic being detoured to Lake-Cook Road. Staff anticipates the full closure will not occur until later this spring.

As a reminder, this project includes the replacement of the existing culvert and road above the culvert located at the intersection of Dundee and Lee Roads. This work will also affect the Village's 24-inch cast iron water distribution main on the north side of Dundee Road; the 12-inch water main on the west side of Lee Road; and a section of the 15-inch sanitary sewer, also located on the north side of Dundee Road, which must all be relocated to avoid any conflicts during the project. For more information, project updates, or to sign-up for email updates, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/dundeeroad.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PRESSURE ZONE PROJECT

The Village of Northbrook is implementing a second pressure zone within the water distribution system to increase water pressure in the northwest portion of the Village. As part of this work, the Village is completing a number of improvements to Village's West Side Reservoir, which will pump water into the second pressure zone. Crews will begin to drain and make repairs to the Reservoir facility in early March. The second zone is expected to be implemented later this year.

WINTER WEATHER OPERATIONS

This week, Public Works responded to two snowfall/ice control events. The first began on Sunday, February 17 and continued into Monday, February 18 bringing 5 inches of snow. The Village’s ice control crew of seven began salting and clearing at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday with a full plow beginning at 3:00 p.m. Crews continued clearing snow until 3:00 p.m. on Monday. The second began on Wednesday, February 20 and brought with it snow and ice. The Village’s ice control crew began salting and clearing operations at 5:30 a.m. and continued through 2:00 p.m.

For more information on snow and ice control, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/snow.

WATER MAIN BREAKS

On Monday, February 18, Public Works responded to two water main breaks. The first occurred on a 6-inch cast iron main located underneath a sidewalk in the 2100 block of Scott Road; eight properties were without service from 5:15 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. as crews completed repairs. The second occurred on a 12-inch cast iron main located in the parkway in the 600 block of Skokie Boulevard; six properties were without water from 10:45 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. as contractor crews completed repairs.

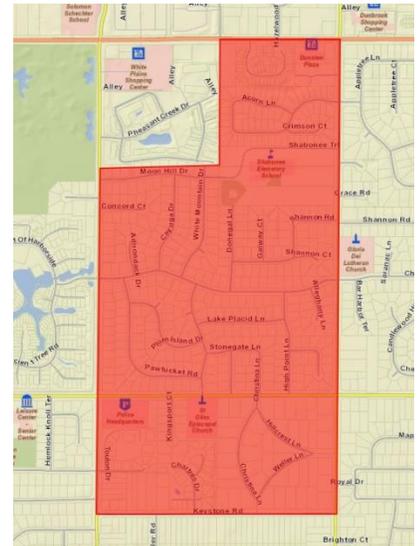
PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING PROGRAM

This week, the Village’s contractor continued trimming in the area bounded by Dundee to the north, Pflugsten to the east, Keystone Road to the south and Landwehr Road to west. This will be the final section trimmed as part of this year’s program.

Each year, the Village of Northbrook trims parkway trees using contractual assistance. Trees are trimmed to prevent unnecessary damage during storms, protect pedestrians and motorists from low hanging branches, promote the health of the tree, and lastly to ensure that the tree is aesthetically pleasing. Trees are trimmed during their dormant periods, approximately between October and April, to minimize trauma to the tree.

SAFETY FOR SENIORS

On Tuesday morning, February 19, Firefighter/Paramedic Mark Thompson presented a Fire & Fall Prevention talk to the Seniors Enjoying Life (SEL) group at the Village Hall. The program, created by the National Fire Protection Association, reviewed a variety of tips for active older adults focusing on fire and fall prevention. To view the program materials, visit <https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Resources/Education-Programs/Remembering-When>



WEEK OF February 25 2019

MON.	2/25	7:00 p.m.	ZBA – Board Room
TUES	2/26	7:30 a.m.	ICDC – Terrace Room
		6:00 p.m.	CRC Welcome to Northbrook Subcommittee – Shermer Study
		7:30 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Board Room
WED.	2/27		No Meetings
THURS.	2/28	7:30 a.m.	EDC Subcommittee – Shermer Study
FRI.	3/1		No Meetings