



WEEKLY MANAGER'S REPORT

WEEK ENDING MARCH 7, 2025

Village Meetings Scheduled for the Coming Week

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Administration and Finance Committee of the Village Board – 6 p.m. at the Northbrook Public Library in the Civic Room

Village Board Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room

Activity Reports

Police Bulletin: The weekly police bulletin has been updated for the week ending on [March 7, 2025](#).

Updates

Daylight Savings Time: Every year, daylight saving starts on the second Sunday in March. Don't forget that clocks will spring forward at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 9.

Severe Weather Preparedness Week: As we conclude Severe Weather Preparedness Week, please remember that Northbrook has a siren warning system installed throughout the community consisting of a series of sirens that are intended to provide warning of impending danger. *The primary purpose of warning sirens is to notify individuals who are outdoors at the time of a threat of a probable or imminent tornado.* Warning sirens are not designed to penetrate the walls of homes and businesses, which means you may not always hear them inside a home or building. For that reason, it is important to sign up for [Village Notifications](#) and have a NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) weather radio as part of your emergency preparedness plan. *What should you do when you hear the warning sirens activate? Do not* call 9-1-1 when the warning sirens are activated unless you have an actual emergency. Calling 9-1-1 may tie up the dispatch center's resources when true emergencies may be occurring. If indoors at the time of activation:

1. Seek shelter immediately in the lowest level of your house, preferably in an interior room away from doors and windows.
2. Tune into radio or television stations for the latest information.
3. Remain in your place of shelter until the threat has passed.

If outdoors at the time of activation:

1. Seek shelter indoors, but not in a car or mobile home.
2. If there are no safe options indoors and a tornado is imminent, lie flat in the nearest ditch or depression and use your hands to cover your head.

Click here for more information [about severe weather awareness in Northbrook](#).

Early Voting at Village Hall:

Voting at Northbrook Village Hall and other Cook County early voting centers will be March 17 through March 31. You can register to vote at ALL Early Vote Sites. Any voter who needs to register for the first time or file an address change must present two forms of ID, one of which shows the voter's current address. All registered suburban Cook County voters are eligible to vote at any suburban Cook County early voting center. [Click here for early voting hours and other voting information](#).

Building Permit & Business License Activity:

- Charles Schwab applied to expand at 445 Skokie Blvd. by adding a second story to the existing building.
- Josselyn Center, NFP at 1135 Skokie Blvd. was issued a permit to add space for behavioral health offices and support services.
- UL (also known as Underwriters Laboratory) located at 333 Pfingsten Rd is undergoing a \$14.7M renovation and update at building 6 on their closed campus.
- A total of approximately 320 businesses have renewed their business license to date. A third notice to renew business licenses is being sent out to the remaining 103 businesses who have yet to renew their license. Staff will also be calling each of these businesses.

Upcoming Commission Training:

- **March 18, 2025, Plan Commission:**

The Village Attorney will provide training for Plan Commission members

Walters Avenue Corridor Improvements Open House

On March 5, the Village held its rescheduled open house for the Walters Avenue Corridor Improvements Project to hear from residents. About 55 attendees discuss with Village staff the proposed resurfacing, water main replacement, and potential options for bicycle and pedestrian improvements. After a presentation, residents provided questions in a group setting before transitioning to a one-on-one open house format to discuss concerns and provide feedback. For more information about this project is available [here](#).

Northbrook Downtown Streetscape and Infrastructure Improvements

Following Village Board approval of construction on February 25, on Tuesday, March 4, a virtual open house was held for residents and businesses along the areas of Shermer and Meadow that are being improved. A copy of the presentation as well as a parking map can be downloaded from the Village's website for businesses to display during construction. The information can be found [here](#). Preliminary work on this project began this week with the removal of existing streetlights for refurbishment and the installation of temporary streetlights.

Automated Water Meter Project

This week, the Village and Veregy conducted two test retrofits for existing Mach 10 water meters and two test meter replacements. As part of these tests, the new Itron radios were installed. These test locations help the Village test the network re-programming of existing meters that will be used, ensure an adequate signal is being received, and data is reaching the appropriate software systems. Information on the Automated Water Meter Project is available on the Village's website at: <https://www.northbrook.il.us/1154/Automated-Water-Meter-Project>

Storm Sewer Inlet Cleaning Progress

The Village has successfully completed 78% of storm sewer inlet cleaning for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Public Works shares that regular maintenance of storm sewer inlets is essential to keeping our drainage system functioning properly, especially during heavy rainfall. Clearing debris, leaves, and sediment from inlets helps prevent neighborhood flooding, reduces strain on the stormwater system, and improves overall water quality by preventing pollutants from entering local waterways.

Polar Plunge:

Congratulations to everyone who helped our "Claw and Order" team make a splash this past weekend at the 2025 Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. The Northbrook Police Department had incredible support and raised \$6,175 to support athletes of the Special Olympics. More info is at [Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics!](#)



Personnel Update:

The Engineering Division would like to welcome Luis Uriostegui as a new Engineering Technician. Luis comes to the Village with over 20 years of experience, most recently at Illinois Department of Transportation. Welcome Luis!