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WEEKLY MANAGER'S REPORT

WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 2025

Village Board Meetings Scheduled for the Coming Week

There are no meetings of the Village Board this week.

Activity Reports

Police Bulletin: The weekly bulletin has been updated for the week ending on [April 25, 2025](#).

Updates

All-in Composting Update

Starting on Monday, April 21, LRS began delivery of 35-gallon compost carts under the Village Franchise Agreement approved on May 28, 2024, following a recommendation from the Community and Sustainability Committee of the Village Board which held four public meetings between January and May 2024. Households that elected to opt-out of the program prior to March 10 should not have received the 35-gallon cart. The Village and LRS have been communicating the program to residents through a February LRS bill insert, weekly e-news issues, and the March/April print newsletter in addition to targeted ads on social media. The Village Manager's communications staff have designed informational magnets and a Kitchen to Cart flyer for distribution at Village Hall, special events, and social media.

National Prescription Take Back Day – April 26

On Saturday, April 26, between 10:00am – 2:00pm, the Northbrook Police Department will participate in the DEA National Prescription Take Back Day. If you have unused medication to dispose, please place in a Ziploc bag and bring it to the Northbrook Police Department at 1401 Landwehr Road between 10:00am – 2:00pm. Needles and inhalers will not be accepted. Vape pens or other e-cigarette devices from individual consumers will only be accepted after the batteries are removed from the devices. For more information on this initiative visit:

<https://www.dea.gov/takebackday>

Free Woodchips Available for Northbrook Residents

As part of the Village's commitment to sustainability and resource reuse, free woodchips are available for pickup at the Public Works Center located at 655 Huehl Road. Residents should bring their own containers and tools for self-loading. This is a first-come, first-served program, and availability may vary based on weather and seasonal operations. These woodchips are generated from routine tree maintenance in Northbrook. Woodchips are a great way to enhance

landscaping, help retain soil moisture, suppress weeds, and improve the overall health of your garden beds and trees.

Earth Day Recycling Event – April 26

In celebration of Earth Day, the Village of Northbrook's Earth Day recycling event will be on Saturday, April 26, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the West Commuter Parking Lot. On the day of the event, please follow the traffic patterns shown in the picture for the parking lot and on Shermer Road. Large message boards and other traffic control signage will help direct motorists on the day of the event. Traffic Control / Flow Map for Earth Day Recycling Event



Northbrook Downtown Streetscape and Infrastructure Improvements

As the Village continues improvements to enhance accessibility, safety, and the overall appearance of our downtown area, work continued in the northwest section on Meadow Road. Work included new electrical bollards, stamped concrete, and excavation of seat wall foundations. Work also continued in the northwest section on Shermer Road that included irrigation piping, road concrete replacement, stamped concrete, and excavation of the seat wall foundations. Additionally, work started in the southwest section on Shermer Road, which included the removal of existing sidewalks and excavation.

Metra to Close Techny Road Railroad Crossing for Repairs

Metra has notified the Village that they will be closing the Techny Road railroad crossing between Anets Drive and Kingsley Circle for repairs beginning on Monday, April 28 at 7:00 AM. The work is expected to be completed by 9:00 AM on Wednesday, May 7. During the closure Metra has established the detour shown in the map below. Residents with questions can contact Metra at 1-312-696-3872.



Automated Water Meter Project

Meter installations began on April 22. During the first week of installations, 224 meters were replaced. For the week of April 28, 347 replacements have been scheduled. In total, nearly 1,100 of the 12,203 meter replacements have been scheduled in the first month. Meter replacement appointments are scheduled in 2-hour windows, but take approximately 30 minutes to complete. 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>

Happy 9th Birthday to K9 Pongo!

Last week the Northbrook Police Department celebrated a very special member of our team — K9 Pongo! K9 Pongo has served with loyalty, courage, and an unshakable nose for justice. Whether tracking down suspects, finding missing persons, or just brightening everyone's day at the station, he's been an absolute hero through and through.



Cook County Roadway Construction Projects

Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways continues resurfacing work for the three projects within the Village. Project Locations and Updates:

- ***Landwehr Road (Hampton Court in Glenview to Dundee Road)***
 - Completed work for this location includes installation of inlet filters, sidewalk saw cuts, silt fence installation.
 - Next week, the County anticipates continuing sidewalk construction.
- ***Sunset Ridge Road (Lake Avenue in Glenview to Skokie Boulevard)***
 - Completed work for this location includes installation of inlet filters, sidewalk saw cuts, silt fence installation, storm sewer work, and pavement milling.
 - Next week, the County anticipates continuing resurfacing work.
- ***Walters Road (Landwehr Road to Pfingsten Road)***
 - Completed work for this location includes installation of inlet filters, sidewalk saw cuts, silt fence installation, storm sewer work, and pavement milling.
 - Next week, the County anticipates continuing sidewalk construction and resurfacing work.

Slow Mow May

The Village of Northbrook promotes "Slow Mow May" which encourages property owners to mow lawns less frequently in order to help promote pollinators within Northbrook. For the 2025 Slow Mow Program, the Public Works Department has worked with the Village's Sustainability Coordinator to identify the Public Works Center and Fire Station 10 as Village facilities that will be participating in the program. With this program, the Village will reduce mowings to 2-3 times over the month of May to help support and promote pollinators in the area. For additional information regarding this initiative, please visit the Village website here:

<https://www.northbrook.il.us/1177/Slow-Mow-May>.

New Local Housing Profiles

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) created the new Local Housing Profiles — in partnership with the Institute for Housing Studies at DePaul University — to help policymakers, planners, researchers, and residents understand key information about their community. The profiles include information about housing demand, supply, and affordability, relative to regional trends. The Local Housing Profiles are a curated set of housing market data for every county, municipality, and Chicago community area in northeastern Illinois. Link to profile: <https://cmap.illinois.gov/wp-content/uploads/Northbrook-Housing-Profile.pdf>

Village Maintains Highest Bond Rating

The Village of Northbrook's long-term rating of general obligation debt has been reaffirmed as the highest possible board rating - Aaa from Moody's and AAA from S&P Global Ratings. These ratings reflect Northbrook's responsible budgeting, strong management practices, and strong local economy. The ratings review come as the Village prepares to issue bonds to support major infrastructure investments, including Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and the initial funding for the new Fleet Maintenance Garage and Fire Station 11 facilities. The bond issuance will be presented at a future Village Board meeting, consistent with the Fiscal Year 2026 adopted budget.

Building Permit & Business License Activity

- A business license was issued earlier this month to Bean Bar which has opened. Please stop in for coffee or a smoothie!
- A new commercial building permit has been issued for the proposed *Rosewater Care Facility* located at 2944 Dundee Road which was granted zoning approvals by the Village Board on October 24, 2023.

Cop on a Rooftop

Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Dunkin' Cop on Rooftop is back! On May 16th from 5:00am until 12:00pm, join the Northbrook Police Department as we partner with Dunkin' located at 2775 Dundee Road to participate in the 22nd Annual Dunkin' Cop on a Rooftop event to support Special Olympics Illinois.

Support for Village of Wheeling

The Village of Northbrook and the Police Department extend their condolences and honors the public service of Wheeling Police Commander Borchardt who was laid to rest this week. Northbrook Police were a part of the vehicle procession on April 23, 2025 from the funeral home to the church. Our hearts are with his family, friends, and fellow officers during this difficult time.