

Village Manager's Report Week ending May 22, 2015

Meetings scheduled for the next week:

- Monday, May 25:
  o Village Hall Closed
- Tuesday, May 26:
  - o Reinventing Government Meeting, 7 p.m., room 130
  - o First Time Homebuyer Seminar, 7 p.m., room 201
  - o Board of Health, 7 p.m., room 102
- Wednesday, May 27:
  - o Forestry Sub-Committee Meeting, 6:45 p.m., room 101
  - o Community Design Commission, 7 p.m., room 101
  - o Disability Access Commission, 7 p.m., room 124
  - o HPC Architectural Review Committee, 7:30 p.m., room 215
  - o Liquor Control Review Board,, 7:30 p.m. room 130
- Thursday, May 28:
  - No scheduled meetings
- Friday, May 29:
  - o No scheduled meetings

## Upcoming Meetings:

• Wednesday, November 18 – Village Tri-Board Meeting, 7 p.m., OPRFHS

Farmers' Market begins 40th season Saturday – The Oak Park Farmers' Market will open its 40th season at 7 a.m. Saturday.

**Parking restrictions eased** – As in past years, <u>overnight on-street parking restrictions</u> will not be enforced on most residential streets over the Memorial Day weekend. Overnight restrictions will be lifted at 2:30 a.m., Sat., May 23, and resume at 2:30 a.m., Wed., May 27. However, restrictions will remain in effect in overnight permit areas. Other parking regulations also remain in effect, including posted daytime restrictions and regulations related to traffic and public safety. The holiday does not affect parking meters, pay stations or garages.

Village Hall closed Monday – <u>Village Hall</u> will be closed on Mon., May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. Residents are urged to call the <u>Police Department</u> non-

emergency number 708.386.3800 for assistance should an incident that doesn't quite rise to the level of a 9-1-1 emergency occur when Village Hall is closed.

**Reservoir project -** Work at the Central Reservoir under Stevenson Park continues. The contractor is making repairs to the interior roof. About 75 percent of the soil over the reservoir has been removed and hauled away.

**Capital improvements** – Notifications were sent to residents last week as the start of the second stage of the Ridgeland Avenue sewer project nears. The project, which will close Ridgeland between Chicago Avenue and Division Street, is tentatively scheduled for June through mid-August. Signs alerting motorists to the coming project were installed Monday (May 18). Bids for the 2015 water and sewer improvement projects were opened Thursday (May 21). The apparent low bidder will be presented to the Village Board for consideration at the June 1 meeting. Bids for the second phase of this season's resurfacing project are scheduled to be opened on May 28. The apparent low bidder likely will be presented to the Board for consideration on June 15.

**Alley improvements** – The first seven alleys completed under the current alley improvement project have been reopened to traffic. Pavement removal and sewer work continues for the remaining alleys in this project, which are on schedule for completion by June 15. A pre-construction meeting for the second phase of this season's alley projects was held Thursday (May 21), with work scheduled to begin June 8.

**Public Works activities** – The Street Division continued work in the Southtown Business District, installing new trash cans and a new bench. Water service was disconnected at the site of a recent fire at 628 N. Humphrey Ave. A water service was upgraded at 1125 Schneider Ave. as part of the lead abatement program. Crews also reset the water shut off valve at 634 N. Ridgeland Ave., and traced the sewer lateral at 109 -111 N. Marion St. and the main sewer behind 20 Madison St. as part of efforts to remedy ongoing blockage issues. Forestry Division crews focused on pruning, and tree and stump removals, while also picking up brush and delivering wood chips. Preparations for spring parkway tree planting were completed this week, with work scheduled to begin next week. Street Lighting Division crews repaired poles that were damaged by traffic accidents at 106 S. Euclid Ave. and 945 Wenonah Ave.

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