

Village Manager's Report Week ending June 4, 2021

Meetings scheduled for next week:

- Monday, June 7:
 - o Village Board executive session, 6:30 p.m., via Zoom
 - o Village Board regular meeting, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom
- Tuesday, June 8:
 - o Transportation Commission, 7 p.m., via Zoom
- Wednesday, June 9:
 - o Farmers' Market Commission, 7 p.m., via Zoom
- Thursday, June 10:
 - o Historic Preservation Commission, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
- Friday, June 11:
 - No meetings scheduled

Juneteenth ceremony – The Village will host an outdoor ceremony celebrating Juneteenth at 10 a.m., tomorrow, Sat., June 4, by Village Hall. A special flag-raising ceremony, speeches about the history of Juneteenth and live music are planned by the flagpoles on the north side of Village Hall by Madison Street. Information about the event and past Village support is posted on the Village website – click here to read more...

Oak Park Avenue improvements – Two-way traffic on Oak Park Avenue between Randolph and Madison streets will soon return as the final portion of underground work wraps up prior to repaving from Roosevelt Road to North Avenue. New water service lines have been installed between Washington Boulevard and Madison Street, and crews are pouring concrete pavement patches. Work will move into the Madison Street intersection to complete water main and sewer main improvements, which should be completed by June 15. Sewer lining between Harvard Street and Roosevelt Road should be completed by June 11. ADA upgrades to the crossing ramps as well as curb and sidewalk replacements at the intersections may begin as soon as next week, which will mark the start of the final phase of the overall project. The entire project remains on schedule to be completed in November. Construction details and schedules are posted at www.opaveanew.com.

Miscellaneous construction updates – Work continues on the North Avenue and Harlem Avenue projects now underway under the purview of the Illinois Department of Transportation. Contractors are the repaving North Avenue between Harlem and Cicero avenues, and making corner sidewalk crossing ramps ADA compliant on

Harlem Avenue from Roosevelt Road to North Avenue. In other construction news, punch-list work related to last season's Lake Street reconstruction project between Harlem and Euclid avenues also continues, including electrical tasks associated with the street lighting and traffic signals. Additional landscaping materials also are being added to the new planters along Lake Street.

Video star recruitment – The Community Policing Division of the Oak Park Police Department has put out a call for residents who would like to participate in future VOP-TV productions to help turn crime prevention tips into entertaining and informative public service announcements. No acting experience is needed and we will work with your schedule to make it convenient for you. These videos are cablecast on VOP-TV and on our YouTube, Facebook and Twitter pages. Anyone interested is asked to fill out a short survey.

Employee news – Linda DeViller has been named the new Deputy Village Clerk. Linda started working at the village in May 2014 as an executive secretary in the Development Customer Services department. She became the Office Coordinator for the Information Technology Department in May of 2017. In her new role of Deputy Clerk, Linda will play a key role in managing the documents and process related to the Village Clerk's responsibility as keeper of Oak Park's official municipal legislative record.

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