

Trustee Topics

The Village of Clarendon Hills, 1 North Prospect Avenue, Clarendon Hills, IL 60514 (630) 323-3500

October, 2003

President's Message

To My Fellow Clarendon Hills Residents, This fall, the Board of Trustees and I will be discussing our short and long-term goals for the Village. This goal setting process will be very important for the Village as we establish a unified direction for the town and its residents. I strongly encourage all residents to offer their ideas and concerns to the Board and myself so they can be included in all of our discussions. We want to hear from you and greatly value your input.

A peer review architect for the Police Station project has been selected and the review process should be completed during the next 4 weeks with recommendations and findings being made at a future Board meeting. The President's advisory group consisting of construction professionals will continue to meet and complete their review of the project shortly. I will bring forth their recommendations for the project during the peer review process. Residents are invited to attend all meetings. Please consult the papers or call Village Hall for meeting times.

In order to improve communication with our residents on important issues facing our Village, we will be providing information in the Trustee Topics and on the Village website regarding all actions taken at Village Board meetings. With the busy life-styles of residents, it is sometimes difficult to stay informed on all the business taking place within the Village. This is an excellent way to note our progress as a Board and stay informed.

Remember to mark your calendars for the Fire Department Open House scheduled for Saturday October 4th. The Open House is from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and is a wonderful family event and a chance to learn more about our department. During the Open House, we will have coffee, food and a table set up to take any questions you may have. This event will replace the coffee scheduled for October 11 at Quinn's Coffee Shop.

Diane Hiller, Village President

Police Station Project Update

Since the community update in the March 2003 Trustee Topics, work on the new police station has continued with numerous public meetings and discussions having occurred at both the Village Board and the Police Station Advisory Committee regarding the design of the new building. LZT Architects have continued their design work with the plans being approximately 99% complete.

The Police Station Advisory Committee submitted its report on the proposed building design to the Village Board on July 21st. Thereafter, on September 2nd, the Village Board voted to hire the firm of Moyer Associates as an independent architect to perform a peer review of the proposed police station project. The purpose of the peer review is to review the plans and specifications for completeness, review the size and scope of the project to ensure efficient programming and to provide

suggestions that may identify new efficiencies, which would result in savings for the Village without sacrificing the identified policing service requirements, quality and planned life of the building. It is anticipated that the peer review should be completed by the end of October at which time the architect's report will be presented to the Village Board for review. Once the peer review is completed, and the Village Board has evaluated all options, the plans and specifications will be put out to bid. Listed below is the most up to date information regarding the police station project.

- * The proposed police station has 16,280 square feet. The upper level has a total of 4,850 square feet of office space, 850 square feet of cells and booking areas, and 2,100 square feet of garage space. The lower level has 1,113 square feet of locker room area, 650 square feet of evidence processing and storage and 3,117 square feet of firing range and armory areas. The remaining 3,600 square feet are allocated to circulation corridors, stairs, elevator, etc.
- * The total development costs as reported during July are currently estimated at \$2.87 million dollars. This includes site development costs, building construction costs, architect and engineering fees and furnishings. It is important to recognize that these are the architect's estimates only. Final development costs will not be available until after the project has gone out for bid. Only after bids are received will the Village Board be in a position to make its final decisions about the project and its scope.
- * Acquisition of the property proposed for the new station is being pursued by condemnation proceedings and the land acquisition costs will not be finalized until after the conclusion of those proceedings. The Village's appraiser has estimated that the fair market value of the land is approximately \$1 million, while the plaintiff's demand has been \$1.5 million.
- * The Village has been awarded a total of \$1.35 million in State grants for this project. To date, the Village has received \$200,000 for architectural fees. Governor Blagojevich recently released the remaining grants of \$1.15 million and the Village expects to receive those funds shortly.

Silent Parade To Honor Firefighters

On Friday, October 10, the Clarendon Hills Fire Department will participate with other fire departments in the 9th Annual Silent Parade to honor all those firefighters who have lost their lives to fire. All fire vehicles will display lights only, no sirens will be sounded during the parade. The cortege will start in Hinsdale at 7:00 p.m. and proceed along Chicago Avenue to Lisle and then return to Downers Grove, where a memorial service will be held at St. Joseph Church, 4800 Main Street in Downers Grove, at approximately 8:00 p.m. Residents are urged to stand in front of the Clarendon Hills Middle School at 7:00 p.m.

Please see Page 2 for details on the Fire Prevention Open House to be held on Saturday, October 4th.

Zoning Board of Appeals/ Plan Commission

Agenda, October 16

Workshop on Subdivision Ordinance

Zoning Activity, September 18

Workshop on Subdivision Ordinance

Fire Prevention Open House

Saturday, October 4th

The Clarendon Hills Fire Department and the Village of Clarendon Hills will welcome residents and visitors to the Annual Fire Prevention Week Open House on Saturday, October 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Fire Department will have numerous displays and informative handouts, including Home Fire Safety, Safety Car Seats, and much more. This year they will have live fire extinguishing demonstrations that will allow "hands-on" experience. Children will also be able to work a real hose line. The Fire Safety Trailer will be available for children to visit and learn about fire safety. D.A.R.E. Officer Talerico will be available to answer questions regarding railroad safety. If that's not enough, there will be a display of firefighting and emergency medical equipment and vehicles as well as a medical evacuation helicopter from Loyola Medical Center. Loyola's Health and Wellness Trailer will provide free hearing and vision screening for your children. The Illinois State Fire Marshal will show the Arson K-9 unit. There will also be a live fire demo. A fire sprinkler trailer will demonstrate the importance of sprinklers in the home. Free hot dogs, hamburgers and soda pop will be served while they last. Before you leave, please be sure you enter our free raffle.

Any questions should be directed to Fire Prevention Officer Rick Musil at 654-1456.

Leaf Pickup Service

Pick-up October 6 - November 24

Free fall leaf pick-up service starts Monday, October 6 on the regular trash pick-up day.

Yard waste stickers will not be required for biodegradable bags or cans containing leaves. The last leaf pick-up of the season will be on Monday, November 24.

Leaves can be placed in biodegradable paper yard waste bags or placed loosely in trash containers.

Please do not use plastic bags.

Leaves should not be piled loosely on the parkways.

Yard waste should not be mixed with leaves.

Leaves cannot be burned inside the Village limits.

Park District Notes

For Your Attention

The Clarendon Hills Park District is asking all park users to clean up the park areas they have been using after an activity such as a game or group assembly. Particularly noticeable debris has included water bottles and candy wrappers. This thoughtfulness will benefit all park users.

Please also note that future Park District board and committee meetings will meet at 7:00 p.m., not 7:30 p. m. as in the past. The October 13th and December 22nd meetings will be cancelled.

Chicago Avenue Construction

Village Gains Cost Advantages

Recently, the Village approved a cost participation letter from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding cost sharing items for the proposed improvements and subsequent jurisdictional transfer of Chicago Avenue to the Village. The following is a summary of these items.

Included in the plans is the installation of sidewalk where it currently does not exist. The new sidewalks that are proposed, approximately 2,230 lineal feet, will be installed primarily west of Oxford Avenue and will provide a link into Blackhawk Heights and Westmont. There will not be sidewalk installed on the north side adjacent to the Hinsdale Golf Club due to concerns regarding school crossings. The State will fund 50% of this sidewalk and the Village will be responsible to pay the balance estimated at \$25,645. The Village will also be applying for a grant for this item, which may lower the Village's cost even further.

Also included in the project is the upgrading of approximately 7,000 lineal feet of the existing sidewalk on Chicago Avenue. This item will be funded 100% by the State with an estimated value of \$175,000.

The traffic signals at Woodstock and Middaugh Avenue will also be upgraded to current standards as part of the construction at an estimated cost of \$276,000. The Village will only be responsible for \$27,600 (10%) of that item.

Finally, as result of diligent research and negotiations by the Village, the State will fund the replacement of the existing water main from North Prospect west to the Village limits. The Village will only be responsible for any upgrades requested to be included in the construction. The value of this improvement is over \$450,000, which results in a substantial savings to the Water Capital Improvement Fund. These savings will allow the Village to pursue needed water improvement projects in other sections of the Village earlier than anticipated. More information about this project will appear in future editions of Trustee Topics.

Halloween Celebration

Friday, October 31

The sidewalks will be loaded with Halloween spirits celebrating on Friday, October 31 as the Village celebrates the holiday.

Here are some suggestions for the safety and enjoyment of the day. Make sure all children are accompanied by an adult.

Your children can enjoy a safe Halloween by following these tips:

1. Be illuminated. Have your children carry flashlights or glow sticks. Attach reflectors to their costumes.
2. Make sure their masks and costumes do not block their view.
3. Trick or Treat walks should be finished before dark.
4. Instruct your children to save all treats until they have been examined by a parent or other adult.

Parents, if you suspect that a treat has been tampered with or any event out of the ordinary occurs, please contact the Clarendon Hills Police Department immediately by calling 911.



Library Notes

Cash Dash and Bright Start

On **Tuesday, October 14, at 6:30 p.m.**, a representative from the Illinois State Treasurer's office will present two special programs, "Cash Dash" and "Bright Start". "Cash Dash" allows you to search your name on a special database for any unclaimed property or assets. Unclaimed property can be: bank accounts, safe deposit boxes, money orders, stocks and more.

At **7:00 p.m.**, you can learn about the "Bright Start" College Savings plan. You can open an account for any beneficiary with as little as \$25.00. Your investment can be used at eligible schools nationwide. You can also enjoy significant tax advantages at the federal and state level.

There is no fee for these programs, but reservations are required. Reserve your space by calling the library at 323-8188.

Needlework Nights

Remember when you did needlework? You know, cross stitch, hand quilting, crochet, knitting, etc. If you would like to stitch and chat, you are invited to come to the library on the first Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 p.m., where you will find other, like-minded individuals, willing to do the same. This is a great opportunity to create something special for the holidays or to resurrect that project that you keep meaning to get back to. There will be no formal instruction, but the camaraderie will keep you in stitches. We also have loads of books to provide ideas. Reservations are not required, just drop in. The first gathering will be **Tuesday, October 7, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the adult seating area of the library.

Special Children's Programs

Book Pals: Stop, Drop & Roll, Thursday, October 9, at 4:00 p.m.

This is a special 45 minute program designed for 5, 6 and 7-year-olds which will include fire safety stories, rhymes and activities. There will be a special visit by a Clarendon Hills Firefighter. To register, call the library at 323-8188 and ask for the Children's Department.

"A Wee Bit Spooky" Family Story Time, Thursday, October 30, at 7:00 p.m.

Come to the library for a slightly spooky celebration! Feel free to wear costumes. This program is designed for toddlers through age 6 and their caregiver. Refreshments will be served. Tickets will be available on Monday, October 20.

For Young Adults - Grades 5 and Up

Investigating a Crime, Thursday, October 23, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Hinsdale Library

Join Police Officer Erik Bernholdt as he presents an introductory look at police work. Participants will learn about crime solving techniques including fingerprinting and forensic science. You will even get to dust the area for prints, so wear old clothes.

Registration starts October 9. To register, call Hinsdale Library Youth Services Department at 986-1976. This program is sponsored by Clarendon Hills and Hinsdale Libraries.

What They're Reading

Kay Carlson Book Discussion Group - Oct. 1, 10:00 a.m.

October's selection: *An Unexpected Light*, by Jason Elliot.

Selection for the November 5 meeting will be: *No Certain Rest*, by Jim Lehrer.

Meets: the first Wednesday of the month from October thru May, at 10:00 a.m.

The Thursday Night Readers - October 9, 7:00 p.m.

October's selection: *Peace Like a River*, by Leif Enger

Meets: Monthly except December, July & August, on the 3rd Thursday, at 7:00 p.m.

The Game's Afoot Mystery Group - October 20, 7:00 p.m.

October's selection: *The Doctor Digs a Grave*, by Robin Hathaway.

Meets: Monthly, except December, 3rd Monday, at 7:00 p.m.

Books for all three discussion groups are available for check-out at the library at least 2 weeks in advance of the meeting.

Thanks to . . .

Jerry Gura and the Amsted Industries Foundation for *The Life of Mammals*, *The Wright Brothers and the Invention of the Aerial Age* and *The Lost World of Pompeii*.

Jim and Janet Kolzow for *Buddhism: A Concise Introduction* and the *Smithsonian Book of National Wildlife Refuges*.

The Clarendon Hills Lion Club for *The Devil in the White City* (on CD), *The DaVinci Code* (on CD), *East of Eden* (on Tape), *The Cat Who Brought Down the House* (in Large Print), *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* and *Tears of the Giraffe*.

Robert Fisher for *General Ike: A personal reminiscence*.

Cub Scout Pack 51 for *Tiger Cub Handbook*, *Wolf Handbook*, *Bear Handbook*, *Webelos Handbook* and *Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide*.

The Friends of the Library for the purchase of a new bicycle rack, and to The Clarendon Hills Department of Public Works for ordering and installing the new bicycle rack.

The Friends of the Library for the purchase of *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* (on CD and Tape Cassette), the first four *Harry Potter* books on CD, and thirteen new Story Book Character Dolls for the Children's Department.

In Celebration of . . .

Ella Marohn's first Birthday, *Where's Pup?*, *Captain Duck*, *Players in Pigtails*, *Ella Sarah Gets Dressed*, *Mommy Loves Her Baby/Daddy Loves His Baby*, from Charles & Carrisa Redpath, Bob & Trish Borla and Chris & Lisa Redpath.

In Memory of . . .

Virginia L. Lindquist, the books *The White House*, *Independence Hall* and *The Washington Monument*, from Hinsdale American Legion Auxiliary Unit 250.

Dick Minnick, *A Patriot's Handbook: Songs, Poems, Stories and Speeches Celebrating the Land We Love*, from Hinsdale American Legion Unit 250.

Al Hurd, *After: How America Confronted the September 12 Era*, from the Board of Trustees of the Clarendon Hills Public Library.

Bob Wearne, *First Off the Tee: Presidential Hackers, Duffers and Cheaters from Taft to Bush*, from Jean Guthrie.

Bob Wearne, *New Dinos: The Latest Finds!*, *The Best Father of All*, *How I Became a Pirate*, *What? What? What?: Astounding Weird, Wonderful and Just Plain Unbelievable Facts* and *Ansel Adams: America's Photographer: A Biography for Young People*, from Ruth Carlson.

Abbi, Chelsea & Zak's Grandpa C., *Where's Mary's Hat?*, *Pirate Piggy Wiggy* and *Ginger Finds a Home*, from the Heinemann Family.

Board of Trustees Meetings

The Clarendon Board of Trustees and the Board of Trustees Policy Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 28. The Policy Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. and the Board meets at 7:30 p.m. The September meeting is September 16. The public is welcome to attend these meetings.

New Business

Pro Comm Ltd.

235A Burlington

Susan Fiala and Tony Ward

455-0439

Communications Skill Training

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October Meeting Schedule

- **Thursday, October 2**
EDC - Clarendon Hills Bank 7:15 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 4**
Fire Department Open House
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- **Monday, October 6**
Firefighter Pension Meeting 9:00 a.m.
Village Board/Committees 7:00 p.m.
- **Monday, October 13**
Beautification Committee 7:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, October 16**
ZBA/PC 7:30 p.m.
- **Monday, October 20**
Village Board/Committees 7:00 p.m.
- **Monday, October 27**
Park District Board Meeting,
Community Center 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Matters

Central Business District Snow Removal Contract

Award of annual CBD snow removal contract. **Public Services**

Committee and Village Board, Monday, October 6

Appointment of Police Chief

Appointment of Patrick Anderson to the position of Police Chief, **Village**

Board, Monday, October 6

Audit Presentation

Presentation of the annual audit, **Finance Committee, Monday, October 6**

Coe/Norfolk Triangle Concept Design

Discussion of the concept design plan for Coe/Norfolk Triangle, **Public**

Services Committee, Monday, October 20

Storm Water Ordinance Amendments

Ratify recent amendments to DuPage County Storm Water Ordinance

which was previously adopted by the Village. **Land Use Committee and**

Village Board, Monday, October 20

Recent Village Board Actions

- Approval of a purchase order for a closed circuit television system for the Police Department, which will be substantially paid for by grant proceeds.
- Passage of an ordinance regarding restricted parking on Norfolk Avenue, between Prospect and McIntosh during construction of Prospect School.
- Approval of an agreement between the Village and Moyer Associates to perform an architectural peer review of the proposed police station facility.
- Passage of an ordinance granting a special use permit for a new office building at 53 Ogden Avenue.
- Passage of an ordinance regarding the installation of a stop sign and authorization of crosswalk pavement markings at McIntosh and Norfolk Avenues.
- Passage of an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Section 2.4, Rule 8 of the Village Code. Rule 8 previously stated that the Village President shall have the authority to establish all standing, ad hoc and special committees of the Board. The amendment states that the President and Board of Trustees may create standing, ad hoc and/or special committees with the Village President appointing the chairperson and members with the advice and consent of the Village Board.



Daylight Savings Time Ends
2:00 A.M. Sunday, October 26

Be Sure To Set You Clock Back
One Hour

and Change Your
Smoke Detector Batteries

Village Phone Numbers

Village Manager - Robert M. Bahan
Director of Finance/Asst. Village Manager -
Kathy T. Redding
Director of Public Works - John W. Hays
Director of Community Development -
Michael J. Brown
Acting Police Chief - Ray Janski
Fire Chief - Brian D. Leahy

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Building - Ext. 6
Finance and Water Billing - Ext. 7
Village Administration - Ext. 19
Recorded Village Information - Ext. 88
Fax: 323-3512
Public Works: 323-6673
TDD: 323-1325 (hearing impaired line)

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Non-emergency:
Police 323-2153
Fire 654-1414
Park District: 323-2626

Business Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.