



VILLAGE OF CLARENDON HILLS MANAGER'S REPORT

October 19, 2018

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MEMORANDUM

To: Village President Austin and Board Trustees
From: Kevin Barr, Village Manager *ksb*
Date: October 19, 2018
Subject: Weekly Report

1. **IRMA/IPBC Lawsuit re: Opioid Epidemic** – IRMA, the Village's risk management insurance carrier and IPBC, the Village's health insurance provider, have filed a joint lawsuit against leading opioid manufacturers and other parties related to the distribution of opioids. The primary purpose is for both insurance pools to recapture losses that they have incurred as a result of the opioid addiction. The press release is attached.
2. **DMMC Meeting** – I attended the session for the DMMC on Friday morning (7 a.m.!) along with about 20 others representing other communities. It was a chance to set goals for the next three years and seek ways to improve DMMC programs and services.
3. **Du-Comm Meeting** – I attended the regular Du-Comm meeting on Wednesday morning. Regular business was conducted. The group discussed the continuation of the fire-funding task force, which we hope will allow us to reduce our contribution for this service.
4. **Eastern Avenue Letter Update** – As reported, letters were sent to the 100 block of Eastern Avenue last Friday. We have received several responses, at this point mostly in favor of moving forward with the road program on Eastern. We will have a more detailed response at upcoming meetings.
5. **BNSF Work** – Per the attached press release, BNSF is planning to conduct track repair work over the next weekend (starting October 26). They expect limited operational impact, but we have been notified to expect train horns to be used, even during the overnight hours, over the weekend.
6. **Public Works Director Process Update** – We are in the process of conducting a round of interviews which will be completed early next week. We expect second interviews to take place within a week or two after that. We will of course keep you advised.

Enjoy the weekend.

Nonprofit Workers Compensation, Health Insurance Providers IRMA and IPBC Seek Damages from Opioid Epidemic in First-of-its Kind Illinois Lawsuit

Westchester and Oak Brook, Ill., October 15, 2018 – Today, two Illinois-based nonprofit risk pools, who provide more than 203 local municipalities and other public entities with cost-effective workers' compensation and employee healthcare insurance, filed a joint lawsuit in the Circuit Court of Cook County against leading opioid manufacturers, distributors, professional associations, and prescribers. It is the first opioid lawsuit brought by insurance risk pools in Illinois.

The [Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency](#) (IRMA) and [Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative](#) (IPBC), represented by Chicago-based law firm [Edelson PC](#), seek injunctive relief and financial compensation from defendants to recoup substantial costs resulting from the far-reaching impact of the over-prescription and abuse of opioid medication. IPBC's costs include vast expenditures on hospitalizations due to overdose, addiction treatment services, and overdose reversal medications, while IRMA has paid millions of dollars in cases involving injured workers who were unnecessarily given long-term opioid prescriptions to treat chronic pain.

The suit alleges opioid manufacturers, including Purdue Pharma, Allergan, and Teva, engaged in aggressive and deceptive marketing campaigns; distributors including AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, and McKesson failed to act as gatekeepers against overprescribing the addictive narcotics; professional organizations including Chicago-based American Academy of Pain Medicine and American Pain Society deceptively promoted the use of opioids for chronic pain management; and suburban Chicago doctors Paul Madison and Joseph Giacchino served as "pill mills," doling out opioids to anyone who came through the door of their clinic.

The suit alleges that the defendants' plan to flood the Illinois market with opioid medication worked: in 2015, eight million opioid prescriptions were filled in Illinois, the equivalent of 60 prescriptions per 100 people.

The lawsuit is the latest step in a proactive multi-pronged strategy IPBC and IRMA have enacted to address and reduce opioid abuse in their members' employee communities.

"This lawsuit is about real costs incurred directly as a result of the opioid epidemic. We have seen fully employed, respectable public employees with work injuries who were prescribed opioids unnecessarily and became addicted, ultimately rendering them unable to return to work and costing our members millions," said IRMA Executive Director Margo Ely. "Opioid abuse and addiction has cost our members through not only lost productivity, but very sad stories of lost careers and lives."

"As a taxpayer-supported health insurance provider to public entities across Illinois, we have a fiduciary obligation to aggressively seek to recoup the millions of dollars in claim costs that have been wasted due to over-prescription of opioid medications and addiction treatment," said IPBC Executive Director Dave Cook. "The impact of long-term opioid use and abuse has been significant to our organization financially, and to many of our members who have suffered as a result of defendants' egregious behavior."

A copy of the complaint can be found here <https://edelson.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/IRMA-Purdue-Complaint.pdf>.

About IRMA

Founded in 1979, the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) was the first municipal risk pool in Illinois, and today, provides comprehensive risk management services, including workers' compensation coverage, for 72 municipal groups in northeastern Illinois.

About IPBC

The Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative (IPBC) is a public risk entity pool established in 1979 by Chicago area municipalities to administer some or all of the personnel benefit programs offered by participating members to employees and retirees. These benefit programs include, but are not limited to, medical & dental payments and life insurance.

About Edelson PC

Edelson PC is a national leader in plaintiffs' class, mass, and governmental actions. Law360 has called the firm a "Titan of the Plaintiffs Bar," a "Plaintiffs Class Action Powerhouse," and one of the "Consumer Protection Practice Groups of the Year" for 2017 and 2018. Based in Chicago and San Francisco, Edelson has recovered billions of dollars in relief for its clients. www.edelson.com

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

BNSF to condense 21-day project into a three-day one

Will deploy two large track gangs to replace 18,000 ties Oct. 26-28

CHICAGO (Oct. 19, 2018) –A major tie replacement project on the BNSF Line between Hinsdale and Aurora will be condensed into a single weekend to minimize the impact on commuter service, Metra announced today. Schedule alterations, including some train cancellations, will be required to accommodate the project.

Beginning Friday evening, Oct. 26 and through Sunday, Oct. 28, BNSF plans to replace 18,000 ties on the center track over a nearly 18-mile stretch between Hinsdale and Aurora. To accomplish what is normally a three week project in three days, the BNSF will deploy two large track gangs and extra equipment, working three 10-hour days.

“By condensing the project timeline, BNSF is truly working to minimize the impact on our riders” said Metra CEO/Executive Director Jim Derwinski. “If this project were to proceed under the normal three-week timeline, our morning rush hour trains would be delayed throughout by slow orders. By using this accelerated schedule, BNSF is limiting the impact on customers to one weekend.”

Working on the center track impacts service on all three tracks for worker safety and for the slow orders required anytime a portion of track is disturbed. BNSF plans to have the crews begin work on Friday evening, Oct. 26. The track gangs will work 10-hour shifts on Friday, Saturday and Sunday and plan to return the track to service in time for the morning rush hour Monday, Oct. 29.

To accommodate the work schedule, Metra will cancel four trains Friday evening and adjust schedules on five others. Train numbers 1294, 1295, 1298 and 1299 will be cancelled while train numbers 1293, 1296, 1297, 1324 and 1325 will operate on adjusted schedules. On Saturday and Sunday, all trains will be subject to a 10-minute construction delay en route and schedules will be adjusted for train numbers 1323 and 1329. BNSF also plans to divert freight traffic from the work area for the duration of the project.

Motorists and those who reside near the work zone should be advised that the project will not block rail crossings except for brief periods while the equipment is moving through a crossing. However, train horns will sound while trains pass through the work zones.

For detailed information on the schedule impacts, visit metrarail.com.

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About Metra

Metra is one of the largest and most complex commuter rail systems in North America, serving Cook, DuPage, Will, Lake, Kane and McHenry counties in northeastern Illinois. The agency provides service to and from downtown Chicago with 242 stations over 11 routes totaling nearly 500 route miles and approximately 1,200 miles of track. Metra operates nearly 700 trains and provides 290,000 passenger trips each weekday.

**VILLAGE OF CLARENDON HILLS
POLICE DEPARTMENT**



DATE: October 19, 2018

To: Village Manager Kevin Barr

From: Chief P. Dalen

Subject: Weekly Activity Report

Recent events and training:

- Officer Pacella and Officer Calderon attended a 3 day search and seizure class.
- The department received a \$24,000 IDOT traffic safety grant for the upcoming year.
- On October 15th, CHPD officers, CHFD personnel, and Metra Police officers participated in an Operation Life Saver event at our train station. Train safety pamphlets were handed out.

Significant traffic and criminal activity during the period October 12, 2018 through October 18, 2018.

On October 13, 1:33pm, officers responded to the 100 block of Naperville for theft of landscaping equipment. Unknown subjects stole a chainsaw and concrete saw from a trailer while the landscapers were working at a nearby residence.

On October 13, 7:12pm, officers responded to the 100 block of Indian for a damage to property complaint. The resident advised her house was egged the previous night. This is an ongoing problem. Pending

On October 15, 8:26pm, officers responded to the 300 block of Western for a family crisis intervention. Officers were able to have one of the family members transported for evaluation.

On October 16, 10:42am, officers responded to the 100 block of Algonquin for a Nicor gas main leak. Officers assisted the FD with traffic control.

On October 16, 5:14pm, officers responded to the West Hinsdale train station to assist Hinsdale officers with a train vs pedestrian accident.

On October 17, 11:16am, officers arrested an unincorporated Clarendon Hills resident who attempted to flee a traffic stop. He was charged with driving on a suspended license, fleeing, and driving without insurance. His vehicle was administratively towed.

MEMORANDUM

To: Kevin Barr, Village Manager
From: Brian Leahy, Fire Chief
Date: October 19, 2018
Subject: Weekly Department Report 2018-28

1. Fire Prevention Bureau Activity during the past week.
 - Eight (8) Fire/Life Safety Inspections were conducted.
 - Several Fire Prevention/Public Education talks were given as schools and daycares this week.
2. Training Report:
 - On Wednesday evening, thirty one (31) Firefighters attended weekly fire suppression training. Firefighters performed practical training on ladders, ropes, aerial ladder, SCBA, etc.
3. Emergency Medical Services Report:
 - No report.
4. Clarendon Hills/Hinsdale FD sharing of services report:
 - No report.
5. Emergency Management Report:
 - This week updates were done to the Computerized Emergency Management Plan (CEMP). We also added the Public Works Mutual Aid plan into our CEMP.
6. Du-Comm Report:
 - On Tuesday morning, I attended the quarterly meeting of the Du-Comm Board of Directors and also the monthly meeting of the Du-Comm Executive Committee.
7. Incidents of Interest:
 - Tuesday, October 16th at 10:42 AM. The fire department responded to 116 Algonquin for a large gas main leak. Upon arrival firefighters found a sewer contractor that hit and cut through a large Natural Gas main in the street. Firefighters evacuated adjacent homes, monitored the air with meters and also in adjacent homes, provided a charged hose line from Engine 86 to protect work crews repairing the gas main. Firefighters remained on the scene for about 2 hours until the leak was stopped by Nicor.
8. Mutual Aid Calls:
 - Clarendon Hills Medic 86 responded to one (1) EMS calls in Darien.
 - Hinsdale Medic 84 responded to one (1) EMS call in Clarendon Hills.

9. Fire/Rescue/EMS calls:

- The Hinsdale Fire Department responded Automatic Aid to Clarendon Hills four (4) times.
- The Clarendon Hills Fire Department responded Automatic Aid to Hinsdale five (5) times.
- The fire department responded to twenty three (23) emergency calls in the last week.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.



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Village Calendar**Police Pension Regular Board Meeting**

October 22, 2018, 5:30 PM @ Police Department Training Room

[More Details](#)

CY2019 Budget Meeting

October 27, 2018, 8:00 AM @ Police Department Training Room

[More Details](#)

Chamber of Commerce Annual Family Trick or Treat Event

October 27, 2018, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM @ Downtown Clarendon Hills

Chamber of Commerce holds a family Halloween event in the downtown the Saturday before Halloween. Be sure to wear your costumes!

[More Details](#)

Trick or Treating

October 31, 2018, 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Trick or Treating within the Village of Clarendon Hills is from 3 PM to 7 PM on Halloween night.

[More Details](#)

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Village Calendar**Village Board Regular Scheduled Meeting**

November 5, 2018, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ Board Room

[More Details](#)**Village Office Closed in observance of Veterans Day**

November 12, 2018, All Day

[More Details](#)**ZBA/PC Meeting**

November 15, 2018, 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM @ Board Room

[More Details](#)**Police Pension Regular Board Meeting**

November 19, 2018, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM @ Clarendon Hills Police Department Training Room

[More Details](#)**Village Board Regular Scheduled Meeting - Cancelled**

November 19, 2018, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ Board Room

[More Details](#)**Chamber of Commerce Meeting**

November 21, 2018, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM @ Board Room

[More Details](#)**Village Offices Closed in observance of Thanksgiving**

November 22, 2018 - November 23, 2018

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