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GOVERNMENT

All Riverwoods Board of Trustees and Plan Commission meetings are held at the Village Hall unless otherwise specified and are open to the public; residents are encouraged to attend.

Riverwoods Village Board

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30pm. September 17, October 1, 15 and November 5.

Riverwoods Plan Commission

1st Thursday at 7:30pm. September 5, October 3 and November 9.

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Riverwoods

VILLAGE VOICE

A Lemonade Stand Reinforces a Great Sense of Community

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I've attached a letter that highlights the fun my children had with their lemonade stand just the other day on Portwine Road. We all got to meet folks who were so kind to us and it reinforced why we enjoy living here so much. Regards, Laura Trevino

With warmer weather finally returning to the area, my children Alissa, 9 and Leo Baumann, 6 were able to have the lemonade stand they'd been dreaming of all summer on Thursday, August 15. A few years earlier on Portwine, these budding young entrepreneurs had seen a young boy with a lemonade stand – and they had wanted to do one ever since.

With homemade signs, a card table and voices that invited passing cars to try some “refreshingly cool, freshly squeezed lemonade, limeade or water for only 50 cents,” the children attracted approximately 20 customers in two hours that stopped by for a delicious treat. Many customers generously left tips and said that they loved the children's spirit or that it reminded them of their childhood or their own children's. It was great to meet some residents for the first time and to greet those we knew by name.

On August 17 I stopped by a lemonade stand in another north shore suburb. I told the little boy that my children had just had a stand and he inquired as to how many customers they had had. When I told him 20 customers, he said I was his second in four hours (despite being on a much busier road). This made me realize what a sense of community

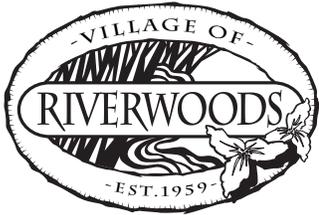


we have in Riverwoods, and that something as simple as a lemonade stand could evoke such strong emotions in people.

Our family thanks the generous, caring and friendly community of Riverwoods residents for their support – even those who waved as they drove by.

A Village Comes Together for a Halloween Celebration!

Once again this October residents throughout our Village will come together for our annual Halloween Party. This party, which grew out of a need to offer a safe gathering for the children of Riverwoods following the 9/11 attacks in 2001, was an idea of the moms who made up the Riverwoods playgroup. Each year since, residents of all ages have come together on the Saturday before Halloween for a ride on the horse-pulled hay wagon, to sing and dance with Jinglejam Jodi, enjoy the pizza and hot dogs,



RIVERWOODS
VILLAGE VOICE

Riverwoods Village Voice is published bimonthly by the Village of Riverwoods. The purpose is to provide a communication forum and information for residents. The views expressed in the newsletter are not necessarily those of the Mayor or members of the Board of Trustees.

Editor: Jackie Borchew.

Any resident wishing to become a newsletter staff volunteer please call the Village Hall at 847-945-3990 and leave your name and phone number.

SEND IN THOSE
LETTERS!

Letters from residents and Riverwoods homeowners' associations are invited and encouraged. Preferred length: approximately 250 words or less, typed preferred. All letters must include the author's name, address and phone number. Letters may be printed, space permitting, but may be edited for grammar, clarity and length. If controversial topics are addressed, the editor will seek opposing viewpoints for balance.

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Village Board of Trustees Meeting Notes

Summary of ordinances, resolutions, and non-routine matters considered by the Board of Trustees from the meeting minutes of June 18, July 2, 16 and August 6.

Read the entirety of these minutes or view the video of the actual Board of Trustee meetings on the Village of Riverwoods website at www.villageofriverwoods.com.

August 6

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

1075 Wigham – Mr. Durning stated that the home on 1075 Wigham has been demolished. The vacant parcel has been filled in. The bank owns the land.

ComEd – Mr. Durning spoke with ComEd, who indicated that no cable has been buried since the new 2007 agreement was signed. Trustee Haber asked if they were required to bury 500 feet each year. Mr. Durning stated that they were. Trustee Haber stated that the Village should pursue forcing ComEd to install the underground cable as required for all of the years that it failed to comply with the contract.

Mayor Norris stated that he didn't know if they could get ComEd to retroactively make good. Trustee Haber stated that ComEd breached their contract and they should be required to do what they were supposed to do under the contract. Attorney Huvarad will pursue the matter.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

SSA 24 Water Main – Village Engineer Glenn stated that the SSA 24 water main is proceeding on schedule with about one half of the pipe in the ground. There has been some discontent in the neighborhood due to an occasional loss of cable and/or telephone service being cut because the lines weren't marked by the locators.

Culvert Cleaning Pilot Program – Mr. Glenn and Trustee Baumann put together a pilot program to assist residents in getting their driveway culverts cleaned. The Village has received pricing for the cleaning but is still waiting for quotes for some culverts which are in need of repair. Mr. Glenn's next step would be to put together a letter and send it to residents.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT

SSA 26 – Mr. Huvarad indicated that enough petitions have been signed to pass SSA 26. Notices will be mailed in anticipation of public hearings for both SSA 26 and 27. Mr. Huvarad was also contacted by owners from South Robinwood who believe they have a majority of residents who are in favor of a road SSA for their area.

37-Acre Parcel – Mayor Norris, Mr. Glenn and Mr. Huvarad met with Mr. Kanzler who represents the company that is doing the excavation work on the 37-acre parcel on Milwaukee and Deerfield Roads. Mr. Glenn indicated that the company's current plan encompasses the entire property, including the portion that is located in Riverwoods.

Mr. Glenn confirmed with Lake county that the plan presented by the company is for permits and further stated that a permit could not be issued without some coordination with the Village. Mr. Glenn stated that the plan calls for extensive grading. Mr. Kanzler explained that the grading is an effort to remediate the cap and that the property would then be marketable. Mr. Huvarad stated that Mr. Kanzler personally felt that annexation was the right thing to do and that he would talk to the owners about it. Mayor Norris stated that the Village has a meeting coming up with the Lake County board representative and the county engineers to discuss this property.

Trustee Haber questioned whether the Village could negotiate with the County, who has property on the other (non-Riverwoods) side of the 37 acres, to force an involuntary annexation. Mr. Huvarad explained that the County would rather avoid this scenario because they don't want to take any action that would give one municipality an advantage over another.

Kenilwood Property – Trustee Chamberlain asked about the status of the property on Kenilwood that was in receivership. Mayor Norris stated that the receiver's intention was to demolish the property. Trustee Chamberlain stated that she had received a number of calls and suggested that the residents decide on a point person who could be periodically updated. Trustee Chamberlain explained to the resident that the court meetings are open to the public, but the Village would provide residents with the same information. Mr. Huvarad explained that in order to prevail and secure an order of court allowing

for the demolition, the Village needs to prove the property is not salvageable.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the July 16, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting. There were two 911 hang ups, 15 accidents, 16 alarms, seven complaints about animals, 14 fire department assists, two other agency assists, one domestic dispute, five driving complaints, one DUI, three fraudulent activities, one fingerprinting, one found property, one harassment, one intoxicated subject, four lockouts, 14 motorist assists, three noise complaints, four parking complaints, 10 suspicious circumstances, one theft, six crime prevention notices and six case reports. There were 139 traffic stops with 102 citations issued to 86 people.

There are currently eight houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

Chief Dayno noted a community alert was issued about burglaries in neighboring communities. There have been ruse-type burglaries as well as car and garage burglaries.

Chief Dayno met with FEMA about the April flood reimbursement. The final submission was more than \$10,000. If approved, the Village will be reimbursed \$7,662.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Duane Christenson from the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Department presented the call volume for the LRFPD including mutual aid to the DBFD for the month of July.

There were 28 calls including 13 EMS calls, five fire calls, one MVI and nine other calls. There were 239 calls year to date. July was a slow month.

COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Air Quality Testing Result for Village Hall – Mayor Norris explained that the only air quality issue is mold in the board room. In addition, there was a three and a half foot western ribbon snake found in the board room wall.

July 16

TREASURER'S REPORT

Village Treasurer Hal Roseth provided the treasurer's report. The total fund balances are \$14,789,000.

Recently, Mr. Roseth met with North Side Community Bank, who is offering their CDARS program again. Mr. Roseth recapped where the outside monies are invested. He sent a note to the Ameriprise representative explaining that the Village would probably be redeeming all of the Village's funds held there. The investments at Ameriprise, other than one item, are up in value from the original cost basis and the Village is receiving a yield of about 3.5%.

At Wells Fargo, the Village is yielding 3% on the police fund investments, but the investments have gone down in value resulting in a net yield of 2.5%. The JP Morgan account is yielding 2%, with very little gain or loss on the net investment.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Village Engineer Glenn noted that the Village Hall parking lot storm sewers have been cleaned out.

The Village has around 600 feet of pipe in the ground for the Thornmeadow water main project. He also stated that the culvert replacements on Hoffman and Jasmine should be done in early August.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the July 2, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting. There were seven accidents, 20 alarms, five complaints about animals, 10 fire department assists, one other agency assist, three burglaries to motor vehicles, three domestic disputes, one DUI, one fingerprinting, one found property, one harassment, one intoxicated subject, two lockouts, four motorist assists, four noise complaints, two parking complaints, one solicitor complaint, eight suspicious circumstances, one theft from auto, seven crime prevention notices and seven case reports. There were 87 traffic stops with 71 citations issued to 52 people.

There are currently three houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

Chief Dayno has been in contact with the Village of Deerfield regarding the dispatch center. The Deerfield Police Chief is currently reviewing the contract drawn up by their attorney.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Update on Water Damage to Board Room – Mayor Norris noted the board room has more water damage than originally thought. The Village will get a proposal from an architect regarding raising the floor in the board room above the water level so the water damage does not happen again. He also asked the architect review safety code issues at both the Village Hall and the former police building, and to list what is needed to meet the code.

Trustee Chamberlain questioned how the architect was selected. Mayor Norris explained that this architect has worked with the Village before and has had experience with this type of building. He also stated that he felt that the Board room needs to be addressed fairly quickly. Mr. Huvad explained that he has had experience with the architect that is providing the proposal. He gave the Board some background on the architect. This is the architect who drew up plans for the proposed community center and the nature shelter.

July 2

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Mr. Durning explained there is a gas line being replaced by North Shore Gas along Saunders Road. They've completed part of the Duffy Road replacement and the restoration of the road will begin on Duffy later this week. He also reported that the old, above-ground gas valves will be replaced with underground valve vaults.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the June 18, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting. There was one 911 hang up, three accidents, 18 alarms, 12 complaints about animals, 14 fire department assists, four other agency assists, two domestic disputes, two driving complaints, one fingerprinting, one harassment, six identity thefts, three lock outs, one motorist assists, one noise complaint, one open burning, one solicitor complaint, 17 suspicious circumstances, one crime prevention notice and 13 case reports. There were 112 traffic stops with 79 citations issued to 62 people.

There are currently eight houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

Chief Dayno noted there was a suspicious circumstance involving evidence of a skimming device having been attached to an ATM machine at Northside Bank. The department is investigating it.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Duane Christenson from the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Department presented the call volume for the LRFPD including mutual aid to the DBFD for the month of June.

There were 35 calls including 22 EMS calls, seven fire calls and six other calls. There were 204 calls year to date.

NEW BUSINESS

Special Service Area Number 26 – There was discussion regarding Ordinance 13-07-12 proposing the establishment of Village of Riverwoods Special Service Area number 26 for road improvements benefitting certain properties on Edgewood Lane, Edgewood Court, Kenilwood Lane, Kenilwood Court, Woodland Lane, Knollwood Way, Woodland Court East and Woodland Court West and providing for a Public Hearing and other procedures.

Mr. Huvad explained that the Kenilwood Association maintains a majority of the streets while the Woodland Association maintains a smaller portion of the streets. There is a portion of the road that is jointly maintained. There are 67 homes in the Kenilwood Association and 58 homes in the Woodland Association. The shared segment has been maintained based on the ratio that each Association bears to the total of 125 homes.

Mr. Huvad distributed a map for proposed SSA 26. At the intersection of Woodland and Crestwood, there are two properties that form a bridge between the front part and the back part of the area. Those two properties are members of the Woodland Association, so they do not want to be part of the SSA. Mr. Huvad indicated there would not be contiguity without these two properties. He asked the homeowners at the two properties to be part of the SSA for the sake of contiguity and he would then find a mechanism so that they did not have to pay for improvements because they are already paying their own Association.

Mr. Huvad explained that after further discussion with all the parties, he believes it would be appropriate to assign the properties a benefit factor of zero, as the homeowners are already paying their own Woodland Association. Trustee Haber questioned whether either property would disassociate from their Association. Mr. Huvad explained neither homeowner wanted to make a change.

Mr. Huvad also noted that a couple driveway culverts may be replaced as part of the scope of the SSA, as they are causing flooding issues.

Trustee Baumann questioned why the SSA cost is so much higher than Vernon Woods. Mr. Glenn explained that there is \$50,000 in drainage costs, 12% in soft costs of design and construction engineering, additional pavement being laid and possibly higher costs of labor due to the fact that the Village has to pay the prevailing wage.

Mr. Huvad indicated that there cannot be a hearing until the first meeting in September and the SSA cannot be established until the second meeting in September. Mr. Huvad suggested getting the design engineering completed prior to that meeting so the construction could begin right after the SSA is established.

The Trustees questioned how the Village could recoup these costs if the SSA is not established. Doug Banks believes there are at least 45 property owners that are tentatively in favor of the SSA. He noted some homeowners may change their minds, but believes

the SSA will be passed. Mr. Huvad explained that the Association had funds and would be responsible for paying for the expenses if the SSA did not get established. Mr. Banks also noted that the Kenilwood Association would have to give him permission to spend the funds. Mr. Glenn noted that the design costs would probably run approximately \$30,000.00. Mr. Huvad suggested the Board request a partial deposit for the Gewalt Hamilton expense to protect the Village. Trustee Chamberlain wanted to ensure the Village is tracking both legal and engineering costs attributable to this SSA so they can see exactly how much this is costing the Village and what additional fees for SSAs generally, if any, should be assessed going forward.

Special Service Area 27 – There was discussion regarding Ordinance 13-07-13 proposing the establishment of Special Service Area number 27 for road improvements benefitting certain properties on Windlake Terrace and providing for a Public Hearing and other procedures.

Mr. Huvad noted there are only seven lots in the contiguous area. It is a flat-rate SSA. They do not want a maintenance levy in the SSA.

Unlawful Weapons – Mayor Norris explained that, because of the Illinois concealed carry law, the Village needed to look at their own Ordinance and by doing so it was discovered that there were a number of inconsistencies. Village Attorney Huvad tried to tie it together, keeping the same idea as before, which was primarily for nondischarge of weapons within the Village other than certain limitations for minor things such as BB guns that could be maintained on a homeowner's property.

Mayor Norris indicated there were also safety provisions added. Mr. Huvad used the State's definitions in the Ordinance. The Village has, in the past, tried to enact local ordinances even where a state statute existed if there was an advantage to the Village, instead of having to file a State charge. He tried to do that in rewriting this ordinance. Chief Dayno indicated they removed some of the fire-arm language that was included in the previous ordinance, as any firearm offences would be charged under the state statute.

Chief Dayno explained that the Village just tried to mirror what the State did. Chief Dayno also stated that they did not bother addressing firearms because the Village was not going to go local on firearms.

Ron Baransky questioned what would determine whether an offender is charged with a State or local violation. Chief Dayno stated that the officer has discretion in determining that.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer/Solid Waste/Roads/Bike Path – Trustee O'Donnell congratulated Mayor Norris on being elected to the executive committee of the SWALCO Board.

Police/Building/Zoning – Trustee Jamerson submitted the building report. In June, there were 26 permits with a construction value

of \$622,020, generating fees of \$8,257. Year to date, there were 79 permits with a construction value of \$2,787,678, generating fees of \$48,509. In June 2012, there were 16 permits with a construction value of \$216,130, generating fees of \$2,350. For 2012 year to date there were 69 permits with a construction value of \$2,785,665, generating fees of \$25,984.

Information Services/Parks/NSSRA – Trustee Ford asked Mayor Norris to report on the NSSRA meeting regarding the use of Village facilities. He explained that NSSRA requested the use of the woodlands around Village Hall and the new restoration area.

Woodlands/Finance – Trustee Chamberlain is working with Village Forester Chuck Stewart on an alternative sign for the restoration project. She requested that a progress report be submitted by Mr. Stewart as she anticipates getting more calls and questions from the residents as the work progresses. For this reason she would also like the sign to be installed soon so that residents would understand what that area is. She will send the Board suggestions for a project name for the sign, because some residents didn't like the word 'learning' in the name.

Drainage/Stormwater/Environment – Trustee Baumann noted that Mr. Durning received a map that assesses the condition of the culverts in the Village. The map will help to identify areas of clusters with poorly maintained culverts. Trustee Baumann would like to develop a pilot program to help residents clean up and maintain their culverts. Trustee Jamerson stated that the map is a little outdated, and that some of the problem culverts have been replaced.

June 18

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Mr. Durning stated occupancy permits have been issued for the properties at 620 Sherry Lane and 9 Cherrywood. A demolition permit was issued for the property at 2059 Cherrywood. The property located at 3060 Orange Brace is being remodeled. Mr. Durning received a call asking whether goats are allowed in the Village. He told the caller they were not allowed.

A new Sushi restaurant will be opening in the Shoppes of Riverwoods. Mayor Norris noted the restaurant owners will be asking for outdoor seating and a liquor license.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the April 16, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting. There was one 911 hang up, nine accidents, nine alarms, five complaints about animals, 14 fire department assists, three other agency assists, two domestic disputes, one dispute, one driving complaint, two DUIs, six lock outs, 11 motorist assists, three noise complaints, four solicitor complaints, nine suspicious circumstances, two crime prevention notices and eight case reports. There were 101 traffic stops with 85 citations issued to 67 people.

There are currently 2 houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

VILLAGE VOICE UPDATE

Mayor Norris met with the Village Voice editor Jackie Borchew and they are looking to punch up the Village Voice. In addition, they are trying to get more community involvement. Ms. Borchew is also looking at various publishing and electronic distribution methods to save on the mailing and printing expense.

PRESENTATION BY TERRACO

Scott Handle, President, and Dan Wander, senior Vice President of Terraco, Inc., and Kevin Lewis, project engineer and Matt Darron, Principal with Frontline Real Estate Partners made a presentation to the Board regarding the southwest corner of Milwaukee and Deerfield Roads.

Mr. Wander explained that Terraco asked to address the new Board to reintroduce the project. He recounted that they had met with the Village three years ago when they purchased the property and at that time the Village had stated that they would like a grocery store at that site. Unfortunately, all of the grocery stores that he has approached have stated that the property is not large enough and the area does not have the necessary population density to support a large store. Mr. Wander noted they also looked at full-service sit-down restaurants but were unsuccessful. They had people who were ready and willing to make a deal at the site for a daycare center, preschool or medical center, but that did not meet with the Village's expectations, so they dropped that idea.

The current profile is for four users in three distinct buildings. There will be a Shell gas station on the corner and McDonalds will relocate from across the street. Buona Beef will be located on the east side of the property. Mr. Wander met with the Mayor and several Trustees a few weeks ago at which time he outlined that the development be put into the TIF which the Village approved last year. They will need to ask for a subsidy to make the project work and will ask to negotiate a redevelopment with the Village.

Before Terraco begins doing more formal planning and engineering, they would like to hear the Village's thoughts about Terraco's plan and the request for a subsidy. He explained that the need for the subsidy was due to extensive off-site improvements and a new intersection to align their property with the adjoining properties. They will have to add a dedicated right hand turn. Another challenge is that one third of the site is in a flood plain. Mr. Wander indicated they need multiple users for the site to make the economics work. Their costs will be approximately \$1 - 1.5 million. Mr. Wander is looking for a subsidy of \$100,000 annually. He stated that the economic benefit to the Village in new sales tax would be \$250,000.

Without the TIF, their return would be 7% which would make it a no-go. With the TIF, their return would be 10% which would work for them. The community would benefit and the neighboring site

would become more valuable. The development would be sustainable over the long-term.

Trustee Haber asked why Terraco purchased the site based on all the problems and the need for Village assistance. Mr. Handle believed that the Village would want to see the property developed and that the Village would cooperate by either doing some of the work or with a TIF. Mr. Handle thought people would be beating down their door to occupy the property, but expectations in terms of tenancy were inflated beyond reality.

Mr. Handle noted they are spending a lot of money that will benefit the parcel to the south. He asked if there was a recapture agreement whereby Terraco could designate that the Village would recapture some of the monies spent by Terraco. Mr. Huvard noted that the portion of the property to the south, which is in the boundary of the Village, is also in the TIF district. Mr. Huvard said if that parcel is ever developed, the Village could negotiate a lot of terms and could retain as much increment as they could negotiate.

Trustee Baumann noted the representatives from Terraco mentioned that this is a sustainable project, but identified population density issues which the Village cannot improve. He questioned what makes the proposed businesses different. Mr. Wander explained that, for a gas station, the benefit of the site is that the property is in Lake County, not in Cook County, and between 60,000 and 70,000 vehicles pass the intersection daily which is 50% more than a very busy intersection. McDonalds believes they would do better in an end cap drive thru and being on a hard corner. All three businesses would take advantage of the traffic density and not need the patronage of Village residents.

Trustee O'Donnell asked if the estimates presented in the financial analysis were reliable. Mr. Wander explained that, based on the confidential sales numbers he has seen, the estimates were realistic. Trustee O'Donnell asked if the gas station would want a limited liquor license. Mr. Wander explained they are looking only at beer and wine with no individual serving sales. Trustee O'Donnell asked what would happen if the Village was unwilling to issue a liquor license. Mr. Wander explained the project would be killed.

Trustee Ford asked if Terraco was talking to more than one gas station. Mr. Wander said that they were talking to Circle K and True North, based in Cleveland who is also a Shell operator.

Trustee Ford then explained that a BP station was interested but that there were some issues with the entrance and exit and that the trucks could not come down Deerfield Road. She asked if this would be a problem for the two current gas stations. Terraco said that both gas stations had an internal review of the site plan and this was being addressed.

Mr. Huvard stated that the Village did not want the trucks coming down Deerfield Road. Mr. Huvard asked Terraco to clarify

the discussions he had with them concerning the width of the buffer area back from Deerfield Road. Mr. Huvard had explained to Terraco that the Village wanted to ensure that there would be abundant natural landscaping on the property that would reflect Riverwoods identity. He noted that, in previous negotiations with a potential tenant, the Village had a landscape easement that would give the Village the right to come onto those buffer areas and maintain them if they weren't being maintained. Mr. Handle explained they would add prairie grasses and wildflowers to the property. They will come back with a comprehensive landscape plan that they believe will exceed the Village's standards.

Trustee Haber expressed concern because he believes that the then Board of Trustees dropped the ball on the Shoppes of Riverwoods project. Mr. Haber said they have a shopping center in the Village that they are not proud of and that the Board's track record is not very good which causes him to be very gun shy. So Terraco needs to really impress him that this project will change the character of that entry way to the Village. Mr. Handle replied that if the project goes forward, the Board will have ironclad agreements with Terraco that will make sure that the agreement is executed exactly as stated.

Trustee Baumann asked if a traffic-impact study has been commissioned. Mr. Wander spoke with IDOT and LCDOT and has a traffic engineer onboard. The proposed uses would not generate new traffic. Mr. Wander noted they would do extensive traffic studies as the project progresses. Mr. Lewis indicated the proposed plan includes roadway improvements.

Trustee Ford believes the Trustees should consider the hours of operation along with the lighting and architecture issues. She questioned what restrictions, if any, would be placed on the retail spaces. Mr. Handle explained that they love architecture and landscaping and that the proposed project will exceed the norm. In terms of lighting, they are using razor thin lighting that they are using at other sites. It is effective without being obtrusive. Trustee Ford suggested moving the 'Welcome to Riverwoods' sign Terraco has on their drawing. Trustee Jamerson noted that the proposed tenants do not reflect the Village. He believes this is going to be a hard sell especially because it is the gateway to the Village. Mr. Handle explained that they tried to get other tenants that would be desirable to the Village.

Trustee Chamberlain spoke with quite a few residents who dislike the proposal and would rather have the property stay vacant. They feel there would be three businesses in Riverwoods that Riverwoods would prefer not to have. Trustee Chamberlain expressed environmental concerns given that two drive-throughs and a gas station would increase carbon emissions. Mr. Handle explained the amount of emissions generated by the three tenants is minimal compared with the emissions from the existing traffic. He also stated that the landscaping they plan to put in would balance out the carbon emissions.

Mr. Handle explained that owning the property in perpetuity is

not an attractive option to Terraco. Trustee Chamberlain understands Terraco has tried to find other, prospective tenants that would be more pleasing to the Village. She just emphasized that these particular businesses are going to be tough to sell.

Sherry Graditor, resident of Hoffman Lane, noted the three proposed uses are not her favorite uses for the property. She would not want to have wine and beer sold along with gasoline. As the development progresses, it would have to be done to Village specifications. Ms. Graditor is concerned about the amount of light emitted by a gas station as well as truck noise. She believes Terraco needs to prove this is the best use of the land.

Mike Corn, resident of Blackthorn Road, asked what the benefits will be to the residents. Mr. Handle explained the residents would benefit from the taxes generated by the businesses.

Trustee Haber stated that Terraco should not walk away totally discouraged. He understands that that corner will be developed at some point and wants to work with a developer that is sensitive to the concerns of the Board. If Terraco turns out to be that sensitive developer, Trustee Haber said he would work with Terraco to try to create a plan that would work for both the Village and Terraco. Trustee Ford would rather the Board have some control over the development and work with a hospitable partner.

POLICE VEHICLE FORMERLY USED BY MAYOR

Mayor Norris researched the vehicle formerly driven by Mayor Kaplan and believes the current value is about \$10,000. The usage cost is approximately 37 cents per mile. He asked what the Trustees want to do with the vehicle. Trustee Jamerson suggested using the vehicle for Village activities. He believes it would show professionalism if used by the Director of Community Services when he does his inspections versus using his own personal vehicle. It would also be a practical vehicle for winter weather as well as navigating flooded streets.

CHARITABLE DONATION POLICY

Trustee Chamberlain presented a draft of a form for requesting charitable donations from the Village. The Trustees reviewed the form and made various changes and suggestions.

At the bottom of the form, the Village is requesting a current financial statement. Since people do not always have financial statements, Trustee Jamerson explained they could either attach something or not. Trustee Ford believes requesting a financial statement adds legitimacy.

Mayor Norris indicated the Board could ask for an annual report. Trustee O'Donnell suggested asking for audited documents. He also suggested asking if the organization has either a political or religious affiliation. If so, it should be explained. Mayor Norris suggested a signature verifying that the information provided is accurate. Trustee Baumann suggested asking if there is a conflict of interest. In other words, if a member of the Board or an employee of the Village is also a member of the organization.

Trustee Chamberlain will rework the form and request for information. She asked whether the Board wanted to set a total donation amount per year or per organization. She also asked if the Board wanted to set a time frame for donations. Trustee O'Donnell believes the Board should consider donations on a case-by-case basis. Trustee Haber is not against setting a total cap amount. Mayor Norris believes the Board should set a total cap amount then consider amounts on a per case basis. Trustee Baumann noted the Board would need to keep a running total.

Trustee Ford believes going to the finance committee first serves as a protection for the Board. She believes the Board needs to be flexible on timing, but needs to set time limits. The prescreening, formal application process and putting a process in place is good.

Planning a Construction Project in the Floodplain?

By Rob Durning, Director of Community Services

Please note that flood insurance is mandatory if you plan to build in the floodplain and can be purchased with a loan from a federally regulated lender. FEMA's local floodplain map of Riverwoods is available for viewing at the Village Hall. Staff will help you understand the map and work with your contractor. There are areas of Riverwoods that are designated floodplains and FEMA is steadfast in ensuring that its regulations are followed. If you are experiencing any flooding or drainage problems on your property, Village Staff is available to meet you on-site to provide advice on how it can be corrected. Please contact Rob Durning at the Village Hall at 847-945-3990 or by email at rdurning@riverwoods-il.net.

POLICE REPORT

Emergency Telephone Notification System

The Village of Riverwoods contracts with the NTI Group to provide their Connect-CTY service for emergency resident notification. With this service, the Village is able to send personalized voice messages and email alerts to residents and businesses within minutes that contain specific information about time-sensitive or common-interest issues such as boil order alerts, missing persons, criminal activity, and road closures.

As a resident or business, you can opt-in to emergency messages, non-emergency messages or both. The information supplied will be sent to the Connect-CTY system. If you have an unlisted telephone number, or if you have not previously signed up to be on the system, you may not be in our database. The system will only be used for emergencies and exigent circumstances. We know that your personal information is important; all usage of your personal information will be in compliance with the Village Privacy Policy.

To register, or for more information, go to www.riverwoods-il.net and click on the Village-To-Resident Notification System link. If you don't have internet access or would like assis-

tance, call the Police Department Records Section at 847-945-1130 between 8:30am and 1:30pm Monday through Friday.

Many of the current entries only contain telephone numbers. If you would like to receive emails, please contact us with your email address.

A New Fire Engine for Station #52

By Battalion Chief Duane Christensen

The Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Protection District took delivery of a new fire engine for the Village of Riverwoods. This new fire engine was developed by a committee of fire district members who have worked in the Village of Riverwoods fire station. The new vehicle was ordered from Pierce Manufacturing late in 2012 and was delivered July 2013. The fire engine carries 750 gallons of water and can pump up to 1500 gallons of water per minute. The engine is numbered "Engine 52" as it is housed at the Riverwoods fire station which is station 52. It's expected that this new engine will serve the community of Riverwoods for the next 10-15 years.

Village Halloween Party; continued from the front page

show off a fun costume, and claim a spot around the campfire to create the most gooey and yummy s'mores.

Saturday, October 26th from 4:30-7:30pm, the grounds of our Village Hall will once again be filled with grandparents and moms and dads escorting action heros, fairy princesses and the ever-popular witches to enjoy the festivities.

Laughter will fill the air as the children climb onto the fire engine, sound the police alarms and just plain enjoy a good time meeting up with family and friends. This is all that this event is meant to be - a time for the residents of our village to come together.

The planning for this year's party has just begun. There are committees yet to be filled and much to be done to throw the biggest Riverwoods bash of the year. We have some fresh new ideas. We're adding a pumpkin carving contest. Kids and adults



alike are invited to bring your best carved pumpkin to show off and possibly win one of several prizes. We've invited Theatre in the Woods to join the party. They will be offering an interactive production of Snow White to begin at 4pm just prior to the big party. We're adding some very cool decorations this year which may surprise you. But most of all, we want to hear your ideas and get you involved in the planning and on the day of the event!

If you are a new family in the Village or if you know of a new family, please reach out to them and invite them along. We want to see that all members of our community experience this community spirit that we are so proud of. We may be a small community, but we are mighty in our ideas and the way we get things done. So please consider joining us!

The time to get involved is now! Call Jackie at 847-602-8508 to join the fun and feel first hand what a real sense of community is all about.



Theatre in the Woods Presents a Special Halloween Performance of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"

Plan to arrive at the Village Hall by 4pm on Saturday, October 26 to take part in an interactive performance of Snow White just prior to the Village Halloween Party. The audience will become part of the play when Theatre in the Woods presents "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."

The three characters in the play, directed by Donna Lubow, include Snow White played by Emily Paul, the wicked queen portrayed by Kathie Keefe Howski, and a "stage manager" played by Brian Shutters. The "stage manager" at various times throughout the play becomes the guard, the huntsman, the magic mirror, and the handsome young prince.

The children in the audience participate in this creative drama experience by taking all of the additional roles. They become a forest, the dwarfs, the wind, the rain, the sun, and they learn what makes up a play.

The play is approximately 45 minutes long and is suitable for children ages 3 and up. Admission is free.

**It's the Village Halloween Party
and Everyone Is Invited!**

Happy Halloween



VILLAGE HALLOWEEN PARTY

Saturday, October 26th

4:30 to 7:30 pm

Riverwoods Village Hall

300 Portwine Road

————— 4pm —————

Arrive early for a special 45 minute
interactive performance of **Snow White**

————— 4:30pm —————

Come in your Halloween costume

Ride the horse-drawn hay wagon

Enjoy music and song

Bring your grandchildren

Hot dogs, pizza, cider, candy

Campfire and s'mores

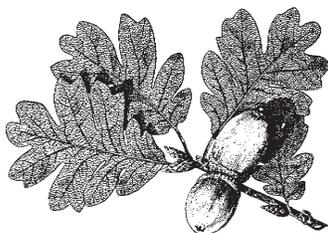
Lots of surprises & fun for all

This event is free to all residents!

**Don't forget to bring along your best carved pumpkin
to enter in the PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST!**

Volunteers are needed and very welcome!

Contact Jackie at 847-602-8508 or jackie@borchew.com



How to Grow an Oak Tree from an Acorn

Growing your own oak trees from acorns is easy and is a great way to produce strong, healthy specimens to add back into your garden. It also provides children with a great opportunity to learn about a tree's life cycle and the role that they can play in enabling this natural cycle. This activity is an ideal one to begin in the early fall.

Steps

1. Collect green acorns in early fall. Choose ones that are free of worms, holes, and fungus. Ideally, the acorns should be brown or nearly black.

2. Put the green acorns in a bucket of water for a couple minutes. Discard any acorns that float.

3. Take out the remaining acorns. Place them in a large zipper bag with damp sawdust; you should be able to fit up to 250 acorns in these bags. Put them in the refrigerator for a month or longer, as needed to germinate the new oak.

- This process is known as stratification, which is simply having a seed exposed to cold temperatures. This primes the seed for sprouting in the spring.

4. Keep an eye on their growth. The root end will begin to crack through around early December (late fall, early winter). Once the root has cracked through, the acorn is ready to be planted.

5. Plant each acorn in a 2-inch diameter pot deep enough so the tap root can grow. Place the acorn about 2-4 inches below the surface with the root facing down. Water regularly. If preferred, just bury the root and gently tuck the acorn to one side on top of suitable rich, soft soil. This will only work if the tap root is already well established, long, and has detached adequately from the acorn.

6. After the oak has grown about 4 inches, which should take less than 6 months, it can be planted into the ground. In the meantime, continue to care for it in its potted environment.

- Ideally, the containers should have holes in the bottom that allow for drainage.

- Alternatively, the acorns can be planted directly into the ground by clearing a 2x2-foot area and placing two acorns into that space, with 1-2 inches of soil on top.

7. To transplant the oak seedlings into the ground from a pot, clear a 3-foot circle of all vegetation.

- The circle should have full access to sunlight and good soil.

- Lay a mulch of bark chips about one foot around the tree, but make sure the mulch does not touch the stems.

- In the middle, dig a hole about 1-2 feet deep and 1 foot wide.
 - Place the oak seedling into the hole, sloping the soil away from the seedling so that the water does not sit at the trunk of the tree. Oaks do not like water sitting on their trunks.
 - Next, pack down the earth and water the seedling.
- Watch it grow over the years!

Tips

- Place a stake into the ground with a screen around the seedling so that animals are not able to eat it.

- Even small oak trees lose their leaves in the fall, so don't be discouraged if all the leaves turn brown or fall off. Just wait for spring.

- Look about to see if the acorn came from an attractive and healthy looking tree. Use another, better-looking tree if the parent tree has problems.

Things You'll Need

- | | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| • Acorns (green) | • Pot for growing |
| • Plastic bag | • Suitable soil |
| • Refrigerator | • Watering can |
| • Sawdust | • Water |

Source: Wikihow. <http://www.wikihow.com/Grow-an-Oak-Tree-from-an-Acorn> (A video is included at this site).



Green Corner

Vinegar Has More Uses than as an Ingredient in Salad Dressing!

You can minimize your exposure to cleaning solvents by using non-toxic or low-toxic cleaning methods. Vinegar is an old, but tried and true method for cleaning and removing mineral deposits, especially calcium.

Shower heads – Take a baggy and fill it with vinegar and wrap it around the shower nozzle. Leave it over night then rinse using hot water. This will remove water deposits and keep it flowing freely.

Glass shower doors – Saturate a cloth with vinegar, wipe down the door(s), and let it soak overnight. Depending upon amount of buildup you may have to do this a couple of times.

Toilet bowl cleaner – Use vinegar and baking soda as a toilet bowl cleaner. Sprinkle some baking soda into the bowl. Drizzle with vinegar; scour with a toilet brush. This not only cleans, but deodorizes as well.

Ceramic tile cleaner – Mix a quarter-cup of vinegar in a gallon of water and use a cloth to wipe this solution on the tile. It will remove most dirt without scrubbing and does not leave a film.

Source: Natural Solutions Environment Inc.

The RPC would like to involve more people throughout the Village in local ecological issues. We have sponsored interesting programs and events, such as a water management panel, shoe and eyeglass recycling, installation of a rain garden at the police station, and a native plant lecture at Red's Garden Center. The RPC, a nongovernmental, resident-run environmental organization, is seeking directors and others interested in Riverwoods' ecological matters. To learn more, please contact Laurie Breitkopf at lbreitkopf@comcast.net or at 847-945-7034.

RPC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Yes, I want to support the RPC in its efforts to preserve Riverwoods! Enclosed is my contribution in the amount of :

\$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 Other _____

I have attached my employer's matching contribution form.

Join at a level of \$100 or more and receive a 10% discount on most plants sold each spring by the RRA Plant Sale Committee.

Please make your check payable to the Riverwoods Preservation Council, P.O. Box 122, Deerfield, IL 60015. The RPC is an independent, resident-run, volunteer-run, non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. Your contributions are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. Thank you!

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Find the Riverwoods Preservation Council on Facebook, at www.riverwoodsrpc.org, and at riverwoodsrpc@comcast.net.

RRA - Join and Make a Difference in Riverwoods

Riverwoods Residents Association (RRA) forms a support network within our Village. Membership is \$25 per family and includes two vehicle stickers. Mail your check to RRA, P.O. Box 341, Deerfield, IL 60015. For more information contact Jill Kaplan at jedma1@yahoo.com or call her directly at 847-945-0062.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name _____

Email _____

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of extra stickers at \$5 each _____

Amount Enclosed _____



Riverwoods Book Club

By June Melber

The tenth season of the book club starts on Thursday, September 19 at 10am at the Village Hall. Our first selection is **Jerusalem: The Biography**, by Simon Sebag Montefiore. Starting with the founding of the city, way before there were Jews, Christians, or Muslims, the middle east was not peaceful. Join us as our new reading season begins, with refreshments and refreshing conversation. We'll also be discussing future book picks, so if you've read something you think others will enjoy, and you're eager to discuss it with someone.

Join the group, we're always looking for good reads.

DEERFIELD PARK DISTRICT

Moonlight Golf Outing - Friday, September 20, 5:45 - 10:30 pm at Deefield Golf Club, 1201 Saunders Road, Riverwoods, IL.

Enjoy 5 Holes of Glow-in-the-Dark Golf, Dinner, Beverages, Contests, Raffles & More! Teams of up to 6 players; \$480 per team. Multi-team discount. Register Online: www.deerfieldparkfoundation.org/golf . Call 847-945-0650 for more information.

· 5:45-6:45pm: Check-in, Reception & Contests, Beverages, Putting & Chipping

· 6:45-7:30pm: Dinner & Orientation, Great Steak /

Chicken Dinner, Salad & Sides

· Sundown - 10:30pm: Golf, Dessert & Prizes / Walk the

5-hole course in the moonlight. Best-ball scramble using 3 clubs + putter.

Halloween Hoopla - Friday, October 25, 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, October 26, 3-6 & 7-9 p.m. at Jewett Park/Community Center, 836 Jewett Park Drive, Deerfield - 847-945-0650

WEST DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP

Special Party for Special Kids - Families with children who would enjoy a less stimulating, more relaxed Halloween Party are invited to Deerfield Village Hall on Saturday, October 26. Children, especially those with disabilities who may find Halloween frightening or overwhelming, may come in costume, if they like, to participate in fun games and crafts designed just for them.

The Village Hall lobby will be open for this drop-in party from 1-3 p.m. Deerfield Firefighters will be on hand to act as personal guides to help each child enjoy the event. Tasty snacks, lively, simple games, and plenty of pumpkins will make this third annual Halloween party a hit.

Admission is free to this event sponsored by West Deerfield Township. Please call Township Clerk Kristen Scott at 847-945-0614 if you have any questions.



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Theatre in the Woods *presents*
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

Start your Halloween festivities with an interactive production of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Saturday, October 26th at 4pm at Village Hall. (*Preceding the Village Halloween Party.*) The children in the audience participate in this creative drama experience by taking on all of the additional roles. They become a forest, the dwarfs, the wind, the rain, the sun, and they learn what makes up a play. The play is approximately 45 minutes long and is suitable for children ages 3 and up. Admission is free.



Snow White photos: Pandy Olmstead, Photoface Photography

*All Riverwoods Resident Witches,
Ghosts and Goblins Are Invited*
Saturday, October 26th / 4:30-7:30pm
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PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST
Bring your best carved pumpkin to enter and win!



Riverwoods
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