



MANAGER'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 5, 2011
GENERAL INFORMATION AND RESPONSES TO MAYOR & COMMISSIONER REQUESTS

Places to be this Week...

Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 7:00 pm – The Village Council meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at 7 p.m.

Future Calendar Reminders...

Tuesday, August 16, 2011 – The Village Council meeting will be held in the Village Council Chambers at 7 p.m.

Long Range Financial Plan Meetings – This year's LRFP meetings will take place in the Village Hall Committee Room on the following dates:

Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 6:30pm

FY12 Budget Workshop – Saturday, October 1, 2011 at Fire Station 2. Time TBD.

Illinois Tollway Capital Plan and Toll Increase – Attached is the press release issued by the Illinois Tollway Authority regarding the public hearing process for the proposed capital plan and toll increase. The public hearing process includes a hearing at the DuPage County Government Center on August 18 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. All hearings will be webcast on the Illinois Tollway website.

BNSF Overnight Work – This week, the BNSF notified the Village that overnight work is scheduled west of Fairview Avenue on Sunday, August 7 between the hours of 7 PM and 3 AM. The work involves welding of the switch plates on the railroad tracks. All trains passing through this location will be blowing their horns during these hours.

Downtown Parking Study – The Village's downtown parking consultant Rich and Associates will present the preliminary findings from the Downtown Parking Study at the Transportation and Parking Commission meeting on Wednesday, August 10 at 7:00 pm in the Village Council Chambers at 801 Burlington Avenue.

Mosquito Spraying - The Village of Downers Grove has contracted with Clarke Mosquito Control to spray for adult mosquitoes on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, weather permitting. The spraying will begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. and all streets within incorporated Downers Grove will be complete by early dawn. Should weather interfere with operations, spraying will occur on August 10. The Village monitors mosquito counts and the current level of floodwater mosquitoes is high. On this same date, spraying will also be occurring in the majority of our neighboring communities, which will increase its effectiveness.

In-House Pavement Patching

Pavement grinding for in house pavement-patching continues. Crews are completing grinding south of the BNSF tracks and will begin grinding north of the tracks beginning next week.

ONGOING PROJECTS

Belmont Underpass

The Belmont Station will be taken out of service on Saturday, August 13th to facilitate the completion of track relocation and platform work. Haddow Avenue, west of Belmont Road, is being lowered approximately three feet (3') to meet the new pavement elevation for Belmont Road. The first stage of this work began this week with the lowering of an existing water line on the south side of the street. The contractor will begin lowering the pavement next week, leaving it open to one-lane of traffic during the work. Flaggers will be on-site during construction. At the time that school begins it is planned that the roadway regrading will be complete and backfilled with stone. Final paving will likely occur two to three weeks after school begins. Metra's construction manager is scheduling a meeting with the principal of Puffer School to review the schedule.

Work Performed This Week:

Continued construction of:

- South pedestrian tunnel walls and stair/ramp structure,
- West ½ of the south boarding platform,
- Concrete work on the walls of retaining wall F,
- Earth excavation and aggregate base course work on Belmont between the northwest ramp and just south of Haddow,
- Canopy at north pedestrian stair/ramp structure and at the NW stairs,
- Cast stone and unit masonry work on the north pedestrian tunnel canopy structure,
- Miscellaneous mechanical/electrical and process piping work in the pump station,
- Miscellaneous electrical work for the platforms, roadway, and underpass lighting,
- Water-proofing track 3 structural steel,
- Bracing excavation work for retaining wall A,
- Sheet pile removal for the south pedestrian tunnel structure, and
- Southwest stair walls.

Work Planned For Next Week:

Continue construction of the above items.

- Percent Complete: 65%

Information about the project is provided on the Village's and Metra's web sites.

2010 Resurfacing (B) Phase 2

Awarded Amount: \$1,843,543.38

Contract Completion Date: Portion postponed until spring 2011

Work Performed This Week:

No work performed this week.

Work Anticipated Next Week:

Additional parkway preparation and sod placement may take place on August 5th continuing into next week.

Percent Complete 98%

2011 Roadway Maintenance Program, Street Resurfacing (A) Phase 1

Awarded Amount: \$1,832,424.50

Contract Completion Date: 8/5/11

Anticipated Start of Construction: Early June, 2011

Work Performed This Week:

- Paving operations (first course) completed throughout the Lake / Sherman area and Franklin / Linden area.

- Paving operations (surface course) completed on Revere, Meade, Lexington, Plymouth, Springside Ave and Pl, Brunette, Palmer and Bolson.
- Additional miscellaneous asphalt drive placement completed on Springside, Brunette, Franklin and Prospect.
- Some parkway restoration ongoing in the Lake / Sherman area and Franklin area, and started in the Devereux area.

Work Anticipated Next Week:

- Surface course paving operations should be completed throughout the Lake / Sherman area and the Franklin / Linden area early week of 8/8.
- New aggregate shoulders should be completed throughout the Sherman area and Linden.
- Some parkway restoration preparation may continue in the Franklin and Devereux areas.

Percent Complete 80%

2011 Roadway Maintenance Program, Street Resurfacing (B) Phase 2

Awarded Amount: \$1,676,260.57

Anticipated Start of Construction: August 2011

- Preconstruction meeting held with the contractor 7/28
- Field layout ongoing on the north end of the Village. The saw cutting of curbs and repair operations may begin within next two weeks in anticipation of the start of work.

2011 Replacement Sidewalk Program (S-006-11 & S-006-12)

Awarded Amount: \$186,725.00

Contract Completion Date: August 18, 2011

Work Performed This Week:

All sidewalk removal & replacement work is complete.

Work Planned for Next Week:

A punch list has been sent to the contractor. Punch list work should start the week of August 8th.

- Percent Complete: 95%

2011 Paver Crosswalk Upgrades (S-007-11)

Awarded Amount: \$129,727.50

Contract Completion Date: August 5, 2011

Work started on July 11th.

Crosswalks within the Downtown Business District are scheduled to be rehabilitated by a method using hot applied synthetic asphalt material.

Work Performed This Week:

Hot applied synthetic asphalt material has been installed at crosswalks at Rogers & Highland and Highland & Warren.

Work Planned for Next Week:

Installation of hot applied synthetic asphalt material at crosswalks at Warren & Main, Washington & Warren, Burlington & Main, Burlington & Mochel, Curtiss & Mochel, and Maple & Main.

- Percent Complete: 65%

Lot A (Warren Avenue) Retaining Wall Rehabilitation (P-012-11)

The Lot A retaining wall is located within the Downtown Business District on the south side of Warren Avenue between Main Street & Forest Avenue. The work includes the rehabilitation of a 240' long existing cast-in-place, reinforced, colored concrete retaining wall involving full depth saw cutting of walls and columns, removal of existing decorative ornamental fence, handrails, wall caps, coping, and street light poles, installation of decorative ornamental fence, handrails, wall caps, coping, and street light poles, caulking and sealing of

existing wall cracks, and wall resurfacing. Three bids were opened on Thursday, August 4th and a recommendation for contract award will be presented for Council's consideration on September 6th.



2011 New Sidewalk Installation Program

Contract Amount: \$ 248,407.35

Contract Completion Date: August 22, 2011

Work Performed This Week:

- Completed asphalt driveways restoration. All driveways affected by sidewalk construction are now accessible.
- Completed backfilling and rough grading adjacent to new sidewalk. Performed stormwater compensatory volume cuts at Lacey Creek tributary crossings on 40th Street and Morton Ave.

Work Anticipated Next Week:

- Complete sidewalk and retaining wall at creek crossing on 40th Street. Parkway restoration preparation work and topsoil installation to begin next week.

Percent Complete: 80%

Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project - Prospect Avenue Lincoln to Chicago

Contract Amount: \$ 65,946.00

Scheduled Start Date: August 1, 2011

Contract Completion Date: August 30, 2011

Storm sewer cleaning and televising is scheduled to be completed next week. Following the review of the sewer video the sewer lining material will be manufactured to fit the specific diameter and length of existing sewer on Prospect Avenue. Due to the need of the custom fabrication of the liner the completion date for the project has been extended to incorporate the additional fabrication time. Installation of the sewer liner has been tentatively scheduled for the first week of September.

Lacey Creek (Sub D), 39th St., West of Saratoga, SW-075

A draft Drainage Improvement Study report was received from Engineering Resources Associates. Staff is reviewing the identified four alternatives, the estimated costs and benefits for each alternate, and will be sending comments to the consultant to include in the final report.

Maple/BNSF Railroad Grade Reduction

Awarded Amount: \$365,469.28

Contract Completion Date: August 12, 2011

Due to the recent heavy rains last week the opening of the intersection may be delayed by a week and is planned to be reopened to traffic the week of August 15th.

The contractor completed all of the underground utility work this week. Installation of embankment and earth excavation was completed this week. The contractor will complete stone base installation this week. New sidewalk and curb installation is scheduled for the beginning of next week. Paving is scheduled for the end of next week depending on the weather.

- Percentage Complete: 60%

Street Light Replacement, Concord Square II

Awarded Amount: \$31,930.52

Contract has been awarded and light fixtures have been ordered. Lead time on fixtures is 6 - 8 weeks. Construction is scheduled to start in September once the fixtures are shipped.

Contract duration is 120 days.

2nd and Cumnor

Council Award Date: July 19, 2011

Award Amount: \$1,055,141.50

Contract Completion Date: November 4, 2011 (excluding restoration)

Work to Be Performed Next Week

ComEd to resume utility pole relocations.

Closing of Cumnor Rd between 2nd St and 3rd St and construction fence installation.

Nicor gas line adjustment to begin.

- Percent Complete: 1%

Prentiss Creek Sub E – Kensington Place

Concept Design Award Amount: \$14,808.00

Kickoff meeting for Concept Design with design consultant, Living Waters Consultants completed 5/6/11. Draft

Concept Design meeting completed 7/14/11. Completed concept design report anticipated at the end of July or early August.

Washington Street/Sherman Street Stormwater Improvements

Current Contract Amount: \$547,159.12

Contract Completion Date: December 19, 2010

Work Performed This Week:

Project closeout and punch list items

Work Anticipated Next Week:

Project closeout and punch list items

- Percent Complete: 99%

Davis St Storm Sewer

Bids opened July 15, 2011. Staff recommendation on August 2, 2011 Council Agenda.

Lacey Creek (Sub G) Stormwater Improvements - 35th St between Saratoga and Venard

Design underway. Staff is currently reviewing draft report and 50% plan set.

SJN Sub B, Storm Sewer on Pershing Ave

Current Contract Amount: \$364,112.00

Pre-construction meeting held on July 27, 2011.

Tree fence delivered to site. Mobilization and tree protection fence installation to begin next week. Construction of storm sewer to begin week of August 15, 2011.

Storm Sewer Replacement on Washington Street, Grant to Ogden

Bid Opening Date: July 14, 2011

Anticipated Village Council Workshop Date: August 2, 2011
Anticipated Start of Construction: Late August
Estimated Construction Duration: 60 days

SJN Sub B, Storm Sewer on Pershing Ave

Current Contract Amount: \$364,112.00

Pre-construction meeting held on July 27, 2011.

Mobilization and tree protection fence installation to begin next week. Construction of storm sewer to begin week of August 8, 2011.

Green Streets/Sustainable Water Program and Downtown Business District Water Quality Enhancements

Design contract amount \$26,397.80

Bid document compilation has begun for the Green Streets/Sustainable Stormwater Program Pilot Project. A conceptual plan and final report draft will be delivered this week for the Downtown Business District portion of the project.

Streambank Stabilization - St. Joseph North Branch

Design/Build contract amount \$298,719.00

Preliminary design continues in preparation of upcoming permit submittals.

Streambank Stabilization - St. Joseph South Branch

Design/Build contract amount \$387,750.00

All necessary documentation has been submitted and the project team is ready to start. A kick-off meeting will be held on Tuesday the 9th to determine the optimal course of action.

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Washington Park Stormwater Improvements

Contract Amount: \$3,055,860.23

Project is Substantially Complete

Work Performed This Week:

There are ongoing responsibilities for turf maintenance.

The Park District has installed the ornamental fence adjacent to the parking lot. Other fence-related items on the punch list that have not yet been addressed may be deducted from the contract and the contract closed.

- Percent Complete (per contract): 100%

McCollum Park Stormwater Improvements

Current Contract Amount: \$1,250,204.53

Project is substantially complete except for turf related items which are being discussed by the contractor, the Village and the Park District.

59th Street Streambank Stabilization

Contract amount \$18,249.50

This project is complete. Three years of vegetative maintenance and monitoring will continue to be performed through 2013.

- Percent Complete: 100%

Lacey Creek Streambank Stabilization

Contract Amount: \$561,200.00

The construction of this project is complete. An ongoing vegetative maintenance and monitoring program will continue over the next 3 years.

- Percent Complete: 100%

2010 Water Main Improvements

Punch list items for this project have been completed.

- Percent Complete: 100%

2011 Preventive Seal

Awarded Amount: \$153,000.00

Contract Completion Date: August 4, 2011

Work Performed This Week:

All crack seal rubber work is complete.

All crack seal fiber work was completed on August 4th.

Work Planned For Next Week:

Punch list items.

Percent Complete: 100%

ATTACHMENTS

Press Release for Illinois Tollway Public Hearings



NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
August 3, 2011

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ILLINOIS TOLLWAY HOSTS PUBLIC HEARINGS THIS MONTH TO GATHER FEEDBACK ON NEW \$12 BILLION CAPITAL PLAN

Two events added for a total of 14 public hearings across Northern Illinois

DOWNERS GROVE, IL – The Illinois Tollway will increase the number of public hearings from 12 to 14 to present details of the proposed \$12 billion, 15-year capital plan, Move Illinois: *The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*, and to allow customers and others the opportunity to comment and provide feedback.

The proposed capital plan maps out the Illinois Tollway's infrastructure investments for 2012-2026, including funding to complete the rebuilding of the 52-year-old Tollway system. The plan is designed to provide better travel conditions, relieve congestion, create jobs, stimulate the economy, and will be financed by bonds backed by a proposed toll rate increase for passenger vehicles.

"Over the past year and a half, the Tollway has worked to engage business owners, community leaders, elected officials, environmental groups and other stakeholders to learn about which transportation projects are important to the growth of the Midwest region," said Illinois Tollway Executive Director Kristi Lafleur. "The plan we've presented reflects their insights, and now, we want to hear from our customers and other members of the communities we serve through these public hearings."

All of the public hearings will be Webcast live on the Tollway's Web site to provide access for those unable to attend the hearings in person. In addition, the Tollway is soliciting comments on its Web site and posting video of all public hearings at www.illinoistollway.com.

"Public input is integral to this capital planning process," said Illinois Tollway Board Chair Paula Wolff. "We are using virtual, online and in-person communication methods and have scheduled the in-person meetings at times and places that are intended to be convenient for people, including some evenings and some afternoons. The members of the Tollway Board and I will be attending these hearings and reviewing all of the public comments in order to hear what residents and customers have to say about our plan to address the region's transportation needs."

Since announcing the capital plan on July 28, the Tollway has added two additional public hearings and adjusted the time for the public hearing in Kane County. Public hearings will be held:

August 18, 4-6 p.m.

Kane County - Kane County Government Center, 719 S. Batavia Avenue, Building A, Geneva

August 18, 7-9 p.m.

Cook County - Chicago Ridge City Hall, 10455 S. Ridgeland Avenue, Chicago Ridge

DuPage County - DuPage County Government Center, 421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton
Will County - Village of New Lenox, 1 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox

August 19, 7-9 p.m.

Boone County - Community Building, 111 W. 1st Street, Belvidere
DeKalb County - NIU-Convocation Center, 1525 W. Lincoln Highway, DeKalb
Lake County - Libertyville Civic Center, 135 W. Church Street, Libertyville
McHenry County - Village of Huntley, 10987 Main Street, Huntley

August 22, 7-9 p.m.

Lee County - Comfort Inn, 154 Plaza Drive, Dixon
Ogle County - Comfort Inn & Suites, 1122 N. Seventh Street, Rochelle
Whiteside County - Sterling Municipal Building, 212 3rd Avenue, Sterling
Winnebago County - Clock Tower Resort, 7801 E. State Street, Rockford

August 23, 4-6 p.m. ADDED

Cook County - Schaumburg Prairie Center for the Arts, 201 Schaumburg Court, Schaumburg

August 23, 7-9 p.m. ADDED

Lake County - Buffalo Grove Village Hall, 50 Raupp Boulevard, Buffalo Grove

About Move Illinois: *The Illinois Tollway Driving the Future*

The proposed 15-year, \$12 billion capital plan includes \$8.08 billion to fund necessary improvements to the existing Tollway system. These needs are programmed to be performed at the right time to keep the existing 286 miles of roadways in a state of good repair. Projects include:

- Reconstructing and widening the 52-year-old Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) from the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) to Rockford
- Reconstructing more than 20 miles of the central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) and the Edens Spur (I-94)
- Preserving the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88)
- Preserving the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355)
- Repairing roads, bridges and maintenance facilities
- Other capital projects, including local interchanges

In addition, the proposed capital plan commits an additional \$4.07 billion for new projects that focus on enhancing mobility, including:

- Constructing a new interchange at I-294/I-57, as well as the 147th Street ramps
- Constructing the Elgin O'Hare West Bypass, including completion of the Elgin O'Hare, construction of the West Bypass between I-90 and I-294 and rehabilitation and widening of the existing Elgin O'Hare Expressway
- Planning for transit on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90)
- Planning studies for the Illinois Route 53 Corridor and the Illiana Expressway

The proposed capital plan is financed by bonds backed by a toll increase effective January 1, 2012, for passenger vehicles and a previously approved commercial toll rate increase beginning in 2015. I-PASS customers would see a toll rate increase of 35 cents at a typical mainline toll plaza, with cash-paying passenger vehicles continuing to pay double the I-PASS rate.

With this increase, the average car trip on the Tollway system for an I-PASS customer would be \$1.18 – up from today’s average of 63 cents per trip – an increase of \$2.75 a week or \$11 a month. The proposal represents the first toll increase in 28 years for I-PASS users, who comprise 75 percent of the Illinois Tollway’s 1.4 million daily users.

The Illinois Tollway is a user-funded system that receives no state or federal tax dollars for maintenance and operation of the Tollway system. Only drivers who choose to use the Tollway pay for the Tollway.

Without the Illinois Tollway, the state would need to raise the gas tax by about 9 cents a gallon statewide to pay for maintenance and operation of existing Tollway roads – or 11-12 cents a gallon if the tax was only applied to the Tollway’s 12-county service area. To fund the infrastructure improvements included in this capital plan, the state would need to raise the gas tax by more than 20 cents a gallon – more than double the current gas tax rate.

For more information about the proposed capital plan or to watch a public hearing and submit a comment, please visit www.illinoistollway.com.

About the Illinois Tollway

The Illinois Tollway is a user-fee system that receives no state or federal funds for maintenance and operations. The agency maintains and operates 286 miles of interstate tollways in 12 counties in Northern Illinois, including the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88), the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355), the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80).

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