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8:30am - 5:30pm

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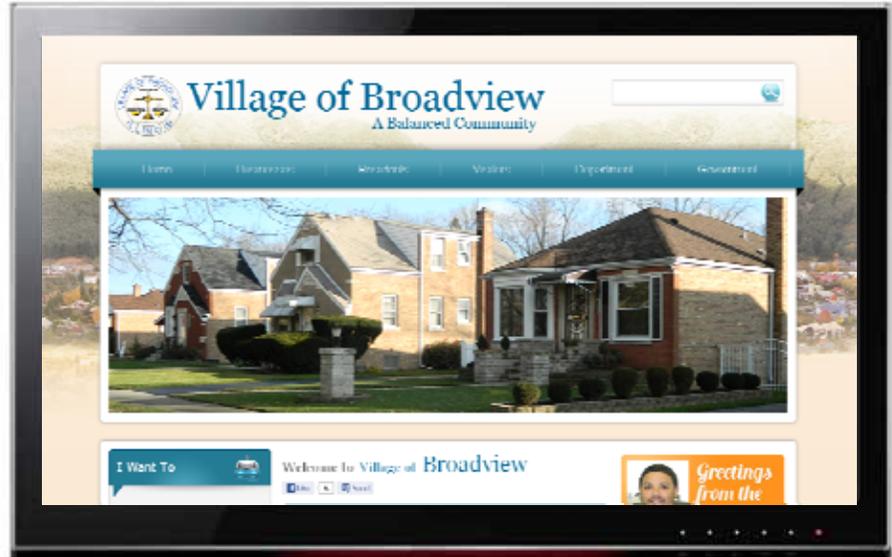
The Broadview Bulletin

A Village Newsletter

SPRING 2012

Village Launches New Improved Website

Village officials have worked tirelessly to improve communication. Residents can now get the latest village news, access records, pay bills, fill out permits, report a concern and much more at the new improved Village of Broadview website: www.broadview-il.gov.



New Water Rates Take Effect

As many of you may have heard in recent news reports, the City of Chicago announced that it was increasing its water rates by 25%. That rate increase went into effect on January 1, 2012.

The City of Chicago supplies water from Lake Michigan to customers throughout the city and neighboring suburbs. In the case of our Village, the City supplies water to the Broadview Westchester Joint Water Agency (BWJWA), who then in turn supplies water to the Village of Broadview.

Because the purchase cost of water, along with the cost of transmission through our underground water pipeline system are our primary operational cost factors, it is necessary to increase our water customer billing rates to absorb the increased raw material cost imposed by the City of Chicago.

The following rate increases will be reflected in the March 15, 2012 billing cycle:

Rates (per UNIT) Customer Category	2011 Water Rates	2012 Water Rates	Sewer Rate unchanged	2011 Water & Sewer Rates	2012 Water & Sewer Rates
Residential	\$4.70	\$5.07	\$0.81	\$5.51	\$5.88
Commercial	\$4.70	\$5.07	\$0.81	\$5.51	\$5.88
Government	\$5.46	\$5.83	\$0.81	\$6.27	\$6.64
Industrial	\$4.40	\$4.77	\$0.81	\$5.21	\$5.58
Sprinklers	\$4.40	\$4.77	\$0.81	\$5.21	\$5.58

The 2012 rate increase to our water customers solely reflect a dollar-for-dollar pass through of the water supply cost increase imposed by the City of Chicago. It should also be noted that the Village of Broadview absorbed the last water supply rate increase from the City of Chicago (in 2010) without increasing rates to our water customers. For more information visit the website: www.broadview-il.gov.

Greetings from the Mayor's Desk

Mayor Sherman Jones

Friends and Neighbors,

As a Village Trustee and as Mayor, my primary mission has always been and will always be, to improve the quality of life for all residents of Broadview. To that end, I have started initiatives that will improve and enhance all Village Departments, Finance, Police, Fire, Building and Public Works. Village operations have been streamlined throughout with increased performance and exemplary customer service being demanded from all employees. Technology professionals were brought in to upgrade and in some cases replaced antiquated or obsolete programs to meet current technology requirements and demands. We are in the process of updating outdated Village Ordinances and finally; this administration has made your local government more accessible and transparent.

During this Administration's short tenure, Broadview has experienced numerous challenges. There were the record rainfalls, record snowfalls and a windstorm that befell numerous trees in town. The Police and Fire Departments were in a demoralized state (residual effects of the 2006 layoffs) and a dismantled and uncertified Public Works Department. We have an infrastructure of roads, water and sewer systems that are aged and decaying, further we have a commercial corridor that some, consider Blighted.

In spite of all of the aforementioned challenges, **we have survived!** More importantly, we are turning regression into progression. We have a framework and direction for Broadview! I am encouraged but more excited about the prospects for Broadview in the immediate and distant future, here is an update:

In the last two years Broadview has seen the following:

- ✓ The passing of 2 balanced Budgets
- ✓ A complete overhaul of the Public Works Department including state certified operators for Water and CDL licensed employees
- ✓ Approximately 10 lane miles of Road resurfacing
- ✓ Implementation of a Uniform Trash collection process
- ✓ Police and Fire contracts negotiated and settled
- ✓ Reduction in legacy lawsuits to a total of 3, thereby reducing legal expenses going forward
- ✓ Appointment of a New Police Chief
- ✓ Restructuring of the Police Department
- ✓ Acceptance of a grant to Hire a new Police Officer
- ✓ The hiring of a Part Time Truck Traffic Enforcement Officer
- ✓ Negotiated a reduced rate for Health care expenses for employees
- ✓ Proactive/constructive meetings with MWRD to mitigate potential future flooding issues
- ✓ Inclusion in Lower Desplaines River Watershed Improvements to Addison Creek
- ✓ An influx of New Businesses (20 new business licenses issued) including L.A. Fitness, Ashley furniture, Deals...and more coming
- ✓ Implementation of a cross connection program to protect our water from contaminants
- ✓ Creation of a Quasi Criminal Ordinance (reducing expenses by having more adjudication local)

There is a vision for "**A Better Broadview**"! With all stakeholders working together, the vision can be realized. We will continue to create legislation and advance initiatives intended to improve or replace obsolete infrastructure and address service needs. We have already begun the process of improving our service fleets. Public Works has 2 new trucks; Police will have a total of 6 new vehicles by spring. Capital or Infrastructure projects that are currently on the table include water main and sewer replacements, street resurfacing, parking, sidewalks and alley improvements. Plans for development on Roosevelt Road are ongoing and ground breaking for some projects is scheduled as early as this summer. There is also a plan for the construction of a new pump station on 10th avenue. The current pump station is over 80 years old and pumps water to all of Broadview, Westchester, ILL National Guard, Loyola and Hines VA. Both the current pumping station and existing infrastructure has surpassed its life expectancy.

It is my intention to keep you informed of anything that will have a direct or indirect impact upon the quality of your life within Broadview. Information including recordings of Village Board meetings will be available for viewing on the new Village Website for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Sherman Jones



The Finance Department

Budget Director - Thomas Hood



THE VILLAGE BUDGET

The start of spring is upon us and with this new season, planning for the next fiscal year has begun. The finance department is forecasting fiscal year 2013's revenue and the individual departments are putting together their estimates of costs to accomplish the functions of the Village.

As has been the case for the last two years, the revenues are growing at a slower pace than expenses. This has been the challenge for this administration since it took over in fiscal 2010. The Village will continue to contain expenses to match revenues while exploring alternative means to supplement the revenues and accomplish long needed capital improvements to the village.

The Administration's commitment to the safety and well being of the residents guides the budget process. Specifically we look to maintain or slightly increase service coverage for both the police and fire departments. This can be accomplished by providing supplemental funds, either through grants or public-private partnerships, that frees up funds to be used for personnel. The remaining areas of the Village are looking to maintain their budgets at current levels. Any increases related to capital improvement projects will be directly linked to funding availability.

At this time the Fiscal 2013 budget is a work in progress. I encourage you to come to the annual budget meeting and get all of the details when complete. The Village will also be putting the proposed and final budgets on the website for the general public at www.broadview-il.gov.

VEHICLE STICKERS

NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 1, 2012 (NO EXCEPTIONS)

To the residents of the Village of Broadview, the vehicle stickers are now available for 2012. Residents with information on file will receive a pre-printed form in the mail. If you do not receive a form, please pick up an application at the Village Hall.

All vehicles registered in the Village of Broadview are required to display a current year Broadview vehicle sticker owned, leased or garaged.

Stickers are renewed between March 1 and June 15, 2012. Penalty period begins June 16, 2012 at which time the vehicle sticker cost doubles. Vehicle stickers must be displayed and securely attached to the lower right corner of windshield.

NEW RESIDENTS

New residents must purchase their vehicle sticker with 30 days of moving into Broadview.

SENIOR CITIZENS

"Senior discount" means fee applicable to person being sixty-five (65) years or more as shown upon driver's license or state id.

TRANSFERRING STICKERS

Transfer sticker must be purchased when a vehicle is sold or substituted for a register vehicle. You cannot physically transfer a current sticker to another vehicle. Notify the Village Hall and provide new information within 30 days of the purchase date. A transfer sticker must be purchased (\$5.00). Failure to purchase a sticker or transferring the sticker to another vehicle can result in a citation.

Passenger Cars	\$25.00
Senior Discount.....	\$10.00
Trucks, Tractor-Semi -Trailer, Recreational Vehicle and Boat Trailers the cost vary	
Motorcycles.....	\$5.00

PET LICENSES

All pets must be licensed. The annual fee is \$5.00 and must have veterinarian issued rabies number.

Police Department

Luis C. Tigera - Chief of Police
2350 S. 25th Avenue
9-1-1 EMERGENCY
(708) 345-6550 (non-emergency)

FROM THE NEW CHIEF OF POLICE

"I was appointed as the Chief of the Broadview Police Department July 2011, and I am honored for this privilege. Prior to this appointment, I retired as the First Deputy Director, second-in-command of the Illinois State Police.

The Broadview Police Department is committed to provide the most professional police service to the citizens of the Broadview community.

Our Mission; we will protect life and property and serve the community honorably.

Our Vision; we will constantly evaluate and improve our efforts to enhance public safety with the goal of improving the quality of life within the Broadview community, while at the same time maintaining respect for individuals rights and human dignity. We will strive for excellence in all we do - seeking to be one of the premier policing agencies in Cook County, State of Illinois.

I pledge to you that Broadview Police will continue our calling to "protect and serve," and carry out our duties professionally. Further, we will do this by taking pride in our police department, pride in ourselves, pride in our community, and pride in doing a job well done.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you."

Luis C. Tigera - Chief of Police



COMMUNITY OUTREACH (COPS)

The Broadview Police Department is firmly committed to serving this community. One of the ways we are demonstrating our commitment is by creating the "Community Outreach Program Bureau" or "C.O.P's". This program is part of the Police Department's Administrative Division. The Bureau's primary responsibility is to find ways of connecting with different entities within the village. Our vision is one where the Police Department works side-by-side with the people of the community to make Broadview a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

Specific ongoing initiatives include:

- School outreach - Literacy programs, school safety, mentoring opportunities.
- Programs for Senior citizens, including regular safety seminars tailored specifically to the needs of Seniors.
- A partnership with the Park District, including active participation in the "Community Harmony Project".
- Creating and participating in a Neighborhood Watch program.
- Fostering an environment of transparency within the Police Department and enhancing Police/Community relations.
- Scheduling regular Community Outreach town-hall meetings, where the community can meet directly with the Police Department and develop an open dialogue.
- Using the internet and social networking sites like Facebook to communicate more effectively.
- Creating a volunteer program for Police services.

These are the types of programs that the people of Broadview deserve. We intend to make it a reality.

The 2011 Broadview Police Department Annual Report can be viewed on the Village website.

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

When: April 26th - 6:30pm

Where: Village Hall Courtroom

The Broadview Police Department's Community Outreach Program Bureau is excited to announce our first Neighborhood Watch meeting on April 26th, 2012 at 6:30 pm., in the Village Hall Courtroom. Please come out to meet your neighbors and speak with the Police about how we can all work together to make Broadview an even better place to live and work.

At this meeting, we will discuss implementation of the program and begin to make some decisions about how you'd like to organize it within the Village.

We'll be seeking "Area Coordinators" as well as "Block Captains" to represent different sectors of town.

This is YOUR program. Run entirely by residents. Please come support this new opportunity to improve the Village. We'll see you there....

Broadview Police Community Outreach Program Bureau
708-345-6550 / COPS@broadview-il.gov



Fire Department

Thomas Gaertner - Fire Chief
2400 S. 25th Avenue
9-1-1 EMERGENCY
(708) 343-6124 (non-emergency)



FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

The Broadview Fire Department continues to be a premier fire department due to the commitment and devotion to duty of its members. The entire fire department team is dedicated to providing the best life safety and emergency services.

The Broadview Fire Department averages over 2,900 emergency calls annually. These calls range from emergency medical emergencies, structure fires, hazardous materials incidents, technical rescues, and other life threatening emergencies. We also handle numerous calls for non-life threatening activities.

It is our department's goal to reduce and control fire losses in the village, through an aggressive and comprehensive program of Fire Prevention, Public Education, Fire Suppression, and Training. The Broadview Fire Department has in all cases succeeded in implementing programs to answer these challenges while remaining focused on its main goal of protecting life and property. Training our personnel to meet these challenges will continue to be a high priority.

As Fire Chief, I personally welcome any questions, concerns and, of course, compliments regarding the fire department. Please feel free to contact the department at 708-343-6124, or via E-Mail at tgaertner@broadview-il.gov

Thank you,

Thomas D. Gaertner
Interim Fire Chief

DONATE BLOOD

On January 28, 2012 the Fire department in conjunction with LifeSource hosted our first blood drive here at the fire station. It was a huge success as over 35 units of blood were collected.

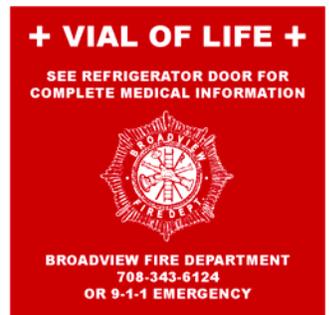
Thank you to all that participated! Please join us at our next drive which is going to be held on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 9:00am to 3:00 pm at the fire station. We look forward to seeing you there! Call to reserve your time slot!! Look for further reminders or call the fire department for further information.

GIVE BLOOD



NEW PROGRAM "Vial of Life"

The fire department has started a new free program called the "Vial of Life" to help protect your loved ones. If you or someone you know has special needs or medical conditions, that information would be needed for responding paramedics.



This program is a highly functional way for responding paramedics to gather vital patient information and have it available in a timely fashion at a critical time. Please stop by the fire station for the free "Vial of Life" kit or call the fire department for further information at (708) 343-6124.

CPR CLASSES

Help Save a Life!! Learn how to perform CPR. Up coming CPR classes scheduled on April 14, 2012 and June 30, 2012 held at the fire department. Classes are free to all residents. Please call the fire station to reserve your spot in the class.

**** Remember, you can survive a fire in your home if you plan and practice your escape routes with a predetermined meeting place. ****

Building Department

David Upshaw - Commissioner
2350 S. 25th Avenue
(708) 345-8174



CONTRACTOR QUOTES

The Building department continues to receive complaints regarding residents being overcharged by contractors. Despite your urgency to get your property fixed, always get multiple quotes (at least 3). Asking for quotes from multiple contractors will give you a good indication of who's competitive with their pricing.

- a. **Be On Alert** if unsolicited door to door salespeople with no local connections offer to do home repair work for substantially less than market value.
- b. **Be On Alert** if a company only lists its telephone or post office number.
- c. **Be On Alert** if a contractor asks for a check payable to a third party.
- d. **Be On Alert** if a contractor demands cash payments and full payment before the job is complete.

VACANT BUILDING ORDINANCE

The Village of Broadview has a Vacant Building Registration Ordinance that went into effect in 2010. Cook County is proposing a similar vacant building ordinance that would address the unprecedented levels of vacant buildings by creating a common template to track, monitor, and manage vacant properties throughout the county.

CAMPAIGN SIGNS

The campaign season is here. The Broadview Village Code 9-8A-12 (7) on campaign signs is as follows:

- a. Political signs shall be allowed without a permit.
- b. Duration: The sign(s) may be installed no earlier than sixty (60) days prior to the election or referendum, and shall be removed within three (3) days after the election or referendum.
- c. Location: The sign shall be placed on private property and set back from any public right of way.

Please visit the buildings department web page at the new Village of Broadview website: www.broadview-il.gov.

If you have any questions regarding building permits please call the Building Department at (708) 345-8174.

WELCOME!

NEW BROADVIEW BUSINESSES

Asset Comprehension	Caldwell Tax Service	Home Health
Allied Stone	DEALS	MIT Express
Access Credit Union	Eugene Matthews, Inc.	Pinnacle
Ashley Furniture	EPI Agency (State Farm)	Pulaski General
ATI Therapy	Equity Industrial	Seaway Bank
Ballon Time	Five Star Food Industries	ServPro
Best Choice Service	Fortitude Wholesalers	Splashes of Joy Cleaning
Callahan Comm., Inc.	Four Leaf Construction, Inc.	Total Control Sports, Inc.
Chase Bank	Gabriel Sales	United Funding Inc.
LA Fitness	The Blue Note	NPC
Bright Image Corp.	Validia-Cha	Unique Auto Exchange
RGI Operations, Inc.		

FUTURE BROADVIEW BUSINESSES

SOLO Laboratories, Inc.	Admiral Mechanical Services
Holiday Creations	Haley Beauty, Inc.
God's Little Gift Daycare	Chicago Portable Power

Public Works

Matthew Ames - Director
2734 S. 9th Avenue
(708) 681-3602



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mayor Jones directed Public Works along with Village Engineers to provide the Village Board a comprehensive review of our water, sewer, and pavement conditions for the purpose of Identifying critical need in selecting the location of improvements for a 5-Year Capital Improvement Program.

Some of the criteria for selection:

- 2011 Street Survey
- Review of the water main break history for past 3 years
- Age of the water infrastructure
- Operational issues for system pressure and water quality

Scope of Work

The scope of work to be performed will involve the installation of new 8" Water Mains within the limits of the project, installation of new fire hydrants, transferring of all existing water services to the new main, abandonment of the existing main, repairs to the sewer system as necessary as a result of televising of the sewers and restoration. The amount of restoration will be dependent on the location of the new main and the condition of the existing pavement.

Cost Estimates

The cost estimates prepared are based upon certain assumptions and will be more accurate once the design is substantially complete. The intent is that the preliminary estimates are conservative and that possibly additional work can be added in years 4 or 5 depending on how good prices come in and the final amount of bond proceeds available.

GARBAGE ORDINANCE

REMEMBER TO REMOVE YOUR GABAGE TOTERS ON THE DAY OF COLLECTION.



Ordinance # 4-5-3 Section C requires that all garbage and recycling totes are placed at the edge of the alley or in the parkway no earlier than 6:00 P.M. the night before collection and removed no later than 7:00 P.M. the day that garbage and recycling collections have been made.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Yard waste is collected from **April 1st – November 30th**. Remember all yard waste bags need to have a yard waste sticker attached to it.



Branch and brush pick up is provided by the Public Works Department every Monday, beginning on the first Monday in April through the last Monday in October. Brush does not require a sticker. Brush should be no longer than 4ft and weigh no more than 50 pounds when bundled.

Yard waste stickers cost \$2.00 each, purchase them at the Village Hall located at 2350 S. 25th Avenue.

SPRING CLEAN-UP INFORMATION

The Village of Broadview would like to remind its residents of the Annual Spring Clean-Up. Spring Clean-up occurs on the first Saturday of May.

Household waste and yard waste is not included in the Spring Clean-Up, but will be collected if properly prepared, stickered, and set out on your regular collection day.

Acceptable items are to be placed at the curb by 6:00 am on collection day. Items other than furniture, large appliances, and bulk items must be placed in bags, cans, or boxes, not to exceed 50 lbs each.

For additional information or questions about what is acceptable please call the Public Works Department at (708) 681-3602 or Groot at (708) 485-0900 or visit the website: www.broadview-il.gov.

VILLAGE MEETINGS

MAYOR, TRUSTEES & COMMITTEES MEET
ON THE 1ST & 3RD MONDAY OF EVERY
MONTH

MAYOR, TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES &
DEPARTMENT HEADS MEET ON THE 3RD
MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
AND ARE HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
AT 2350 S. 25TH AVENUE

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M.

RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO
ATTEND



Village Attorney

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& ASSOCIATES, LTD.
9140 BROADWAY AVENUE
BROOKFIELD, ILLINOIS 60513
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TAX APPEALS

The Community turns out to learn about their
property tax appeal.



Hosted by:
Mayor Sherman Jones
State Representative Karen Yarbrough
County Commissioner Larry Rogers, Jr.

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