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AGENDA
VILLAGE OF DEER PARK
SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
August 1, 2006, at 7 p.m.
Village Office
23680 W. Cuba Road, Deer Park, IL 60010

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum
- 3) Recommendation and confirmation of a new Village Attorney
Action Required
- 4) Executive Session to discuss personnel issues
- 5) Voting on matters discussed during the Executive Session
Action Required
- 6) Adjournment
Action Required

UPDATED INFORMATION ON LONG GROVE TRAFFIC OBTAINED BY DEER PARK NEIGHBORS

During the approval process for Deer Park Estates, the new development being built at Quentin and Long Grove Roads, there were many questions about traffic. DPN contacted the Lake County Department of Transportation regarding the stretch of Long Grove from Rand to Quentin Roads. It was a very cordial conversation. This is not an official statement, merely a summary of that phone call:

* **CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE** There WILL be a construction entrance for the new Red Seal (Deer Park Estates) development. The precise placement and specifications await engineering by the developer and final approval by LCDOT, but this news is great for our neighbors in Deer Park Place next door to the new development.

* **TURNING LANES** There WILL be a back-to-back turning lane on Long Grove between Rand and Quentin Roads--that is, for eastbound traffic turning left into the new shopping center (Dick's) and westbound traffic turning right into Westpark Place (the ingress/egress road to be shared by Deer Park Place and Deer Park Estates). There will NOT be an eastbound, right-turn lane into Westpark Place. Our understanding is that there will NOT be a traffic signal added between Rand and Quentin Roads.

* **ROAD IMPROVEMENTS** Lake County has plans to improve the Quentin/Rand Road intersection. LCDOT is aware signalization and geometry of that intersection, but as the

most recent gas tax referendum was not passed, there are no funds to undertake this project. The state has plans to widen Rand Road, including that same intersection-- which will be coordinated with LCDOT's plans--but again, until funds are available, no action will be taken. Estimated time frame, per telephone conversation: five to 10 years. Deborah's understanding is that if the most recent gas tax had been passed, bonds would have been issued and construction would have begun.

* PREVAILING TRAFFIC Statistics indicate that 85% of drivers on Long Grove Road between Quentin and Rand Roads travel at 47 mph; the same is true the rest of the way along Long Grove to Ela Road.

* RECOMMENDATION FOR REDUCED SPEED Lake County Department of Transportation will be recommending a reduction in speed to 35 MPH to the Lake County Board. If the ordinance is approved, the new speed limit will be posted during the later part of August.

There is a lot of information on their web site, including information about public input at a number of recent forums. Check out <http://www.co.lake.il.us/transportation/> and the links from that page. You can add your own comments by email, referencing the intersections/roadways you are commenting about. These will be added to other public input before the important upcoming Transportation Summit on September 20 to develop the Lake Country's 2007 Transportation Consensus Agenda.

If you in your own reading or research get information that would be of interest to your neighbors, please let us know. We will be glad to pass your information along. Or if you are interested in a issue and don't know where to begin, we can point you in the right direction.

PS We have more DPN "green ribbons" for you to display in your front yard. No, this is not a political campaign, nor does flying a ribbon commit you to a particular position on any issue. This is a grass-roots demonstration of the desire for transparency and inclusiveness of all points of view in the management of our village--regardless of where each of us stands on any issue.

Remember, the first ingredient of success is showing up. Hope to see you at a village meeting or at our upcoming DPN meetings. Do take a moment to write back, and let us know what is on your mind.

Together, we are stronger.

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