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Greetings, Neighbors

DATELINE, DEER PARK, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2009

CORRECTION:

Your sharp eyes caught a bad typo in Friday's eBlast. Our date line and meeting reminder lines were truncated. It should have read:

DATELINE, DEER PARK, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2009

MEETING, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 7PM, AT
THE BARN

We hope no one went over on Friday—and we apologize for our error. Remember, regularly scheduled meetings are 3rd Monday, although lately there have been a number of additional meetings. As always, Village Hall is the final authority on meetings.

[http://deerparkneighbors.com/VODP_Minutes/BoardofTrustees/
2009_11-16_BOT_Agenda.pdf](http://deerparkneighbors.com/VODP_Minutes/BoardofTrustees/2009_11-16_BOT_Agenda.pdf)

Tonight's agenda is quite interesting, including a recommendation from the Plan Commissions on the Christianson pool house as well as a report from the Village Attorney on an overview of the FOIA/Open Meetings Act amendments that will become effective first of the year.

Also Trustee Maureen Pratscher will be reporting on a meeting she had with Groot (our waste hauler) and SWALCO regarding the Village's waste hauling contract. It's interesting, but residents have always been very interested about their waste pickup, whether it's the cost, the desire for "vacation suspension" (not having to pay when you're on extended absence), what can and cannot be recycled. Maureen has stated her intention to get the best deal possible for residents, so if garbage and recycling are your thing, you'll want to hear what she has to say.

Trustee Dale Sands will be updating the Lake Zurich Road repairs as well as “speed bump update.” We hope the speed bump references the 2nd speed bump that the residents on the north end of Deerpath have been awaiting for quite a long time. There are also other locations where residents have asked about the speed bumps. Meanwhile, we don’t know if the Lake Zurich Road repairs are completely, but we use that road frequently to and from the Library, and looks and drives beautifully. At last week’s Committee of the Whole, Dale mentioned that the road repairs for the upcoming budget year could be even greater than what was accomplished this year. Obviously, funding that is going to be a challenge in this economy.

Trustee Barb Evans will update the board on the work of the PARA (Parks and Recreation Advisory) committee, which meets regularly. Again, we urge those of you who are interested in helping research opportunities for further parks development, this is a great way to give back to your community. Even if you cannot attend meetings, Barb would be able to give you projects to complete on your own time. We think that despite the fact that Deer Park doesn’t have its own park district, we do have 17 parks, open space that can and should be developed both to serve residents of all ages and abilities as well as attract visitors to the parks closest to the malls; hopefully, those recreational visits will naturally result in increased sales taxes.

Another important matter will be Administrator Jim Connors’ update on the Barn’s lower level (some call it the ground level, others the first floor or basement) drainage issues.

MORE ON HOUSING VALUES

A number of you were interested in the information from Lake County as to where your property tax dollars are distributed. Chicago magazine does an annual survey of home prices in 288 Chicago neighborhoods and suburbs. Makes for very interesting reading:

<http://www.chicagomag.com/Chicago-Magazine/October-2009/Chicago-Area-Real-Estate-2009/House-Prices/>

You might also like this piece of commentary, and feel free to share stories you find that will interest your neighbors.

<http://themariogrecogroup.com/2009/10/16/don%E2%80%99t-believe-everything-you-read-about-chicago-housing-prices/>

Remember, together we are stronger.

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