

Village Board News

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Community Development

The board approved building permits 2009 – 1173 thru 1232, 59 permits representing \$773,842.00 of investment in the community. Among the permits approved was a \$500,000 investment by Kisswani Property for the construction of a truck parking lot. Other permits issued included signage for Discount Cell Phone Service, Instant Tax Service and Unforgettable Café, and six possible flood proofing rebates.

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Andrew Johnson, Jr.
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Village Board meetings are generally held on the first and third Mondays of each month. The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, December 21, 2009 at the Village Hall.

Information in this newsletter is intended only to highlight some of the activities of the Village Board. Residents desiring to see a complete record of the Village Board meetings can request copies of the meeting minutes from the Village Clerk's office in the Municipal Bldg.



Village Hall Closed for Holidays

In observance of Christmas and New Year's Day, the Village Hall will be closed Friday, December 25, 2009 and January 1, 2010.

Parks & Recreation

Trustee Johnson announced early registration dates for winter programs offered at the Community Center:

South Holland residents only

Thursday, January 7, 2010, 12:00 - 7:00p.m.

Open registration

Friday, January 8, 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

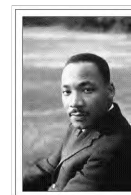
Saturday, January 9, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Community Coordination

Trustee Doorn announced upcoming community events:

* **Community Blood Drive** - Friday, December 11, 4:00 - 8:00pm at the Village Hall.

* **The 2010 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.** celebration, hosted by the Village of South Holland's Communications Commission, will be held Saturday, January 16, 10:00 a.m. at First Reformed Church, 15924 South Park Avenue, with performances by the South Suburban Chorale.



Public Safety

Fire Chief Don Bettenhausen presented Unit Citation Awards to Firefighter-Paramedic Tom Farr and Planning & Development Director Frank Knittle in recognition of their effort, care, compassion and love in fulfilling the special wish of a five-year-old cancer patient, Victor Villarreal. Victor died, Saturday, December 5, shortly after his wish to be visited by "Santa Claus" was granted.

The board approved the Police Tentative Agreement and authorized the execution of the collective bargaining agreement with the Teamsters union.

The board approved an ordinance to add Advocate South Suburban Hospital to the ambulance transport list. This ordinance allows the South Holland paramedics to transport trauma victims and others who need hospital care to Ingalls, St. Margaret and Advocate.

Other Notables

- ◆ A public hearing was held for the Combined Sewer System Pollution Prevention Plan. Subsequent to the hearing, the board approved a resolution authorizing this plan.
- ◆ Pastor Mel DeVries from First Reformed Church opened the meeting with prayer.
- ◆ The board approved a plat of dedication for right-of-way at 163rd Street and Louis Avenue. This land was donated by Providence Life Services for the widening of the roadway to allow for the relocation of the Post Office drop box.
- ◆ The board approved Class 6B resolutions for KB Publishers (The Shopper/Park Press) and J.A. Holding of Illinois.
- ◆ The board approved financial registers 671 and 672 in the total amount of \$5,383,292.50. The registers include payments of principals on bonds issued, as well as day-to-day operations, vendor payments and salaries.
- ◆ The board approved the 2009-2010 levy ordinance.
- ◆ The board approved the annual tax abatement resolutions.