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Greeting, Neighbors, and Happy, Happy Holidays! The agenda was late to be posted this week, so we've printed at the bottom of this email.

First, we want to thank Mike Del Monte, Del Monte Appraisals, for his prompt, professional service to those who called for appraisals as well as his generosity to those who just had general questions. We will keep his information posted on our web site.

MEETING--VODP BOT, Monday, Dec. 15, 7pm, the Barn.

Would you believe? In 2003, the December BOT meeting ended at 9:46pm. Wonder what this board will do Monday? As you might not know, meetings have been going so late this year, that one Trustee has had to ask fellow board members to hustle it up, so that we can get out of the Vehe parking lot before the lights go off at 1 AM.

But you don't need to stay the whole time. (Few but your stalwart filmmakers do!) Consider each meeting as an audition (if Trustees Thrun, Plautz and Rotter and President Gifford decide to run again) or as an introduction the vast range of matters that come before our board.

Are you running? We would love to announce it here. We'll also chase down any rumors you've heard about our upcoming election. By the way, Deer Park citizens have a long way to go in voter registration—if you've never voted or have moved since the last time you voted, you need to update NOW.

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INFO ON RECENT BUGLARIES, FROM OFFICER RUNDALL

We have had two residential burglaries in Deer Park recently. One was on Swansway on 11-25-08 and the other was on Laurel on 11-26-08. Both were forced entry to rear doors with no alarm system activated. The master bedrooms were targeted.

As we have discussed in the past, it is important for everyone to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious persons or vehicles by calling 911 immediately. Also residents need to lock their doors and windows and to activate their alarm system if they have one. Residents should also keep a list of valuables and keep them in an inconspicuous place (such as jewelry etc). These burglaries appear to have occurred during daytime hours while residents were at work.

Be safe. Replace burned out outdoor lights; install a motion sensor light on or near your house. Close garage doors. Lock cars in drives or on street. Lock front, back and patio doors. Cancel newspapers and suspend mail delivery while you are on vacation, and use lighting timers inside to look “occupied.” Arrange to have your driveway plowed, too! Keep an eye open for your neighbors’ homes. “Together, we are stronger.”

THE BIG THREE!

No, we’re not talking about the auto companies. We’re talking about your very own Deer Park Neighbors, who will soon celebrate 3 years in business. We couldn’t do it without you—and we wouldn’t want to. Unlike the automakers, DPN is solvent. However, Deer Park Neighbors is supported by YOUR subscriptions and ad sponsorships. Please fill out the attached *Subscription Renewal*, and send it in with your check made out to Deer Park Neighbors, Ltd. So many of you have pitched in since our earliest days; others have joined us along the way. Your patronage buys web hosting and—this coming year—paper mailings on the election issues and candidates (non-partisan information, of course!)

In this past year alone, we’ve shared with you news about Free Speech, Zoning, Parks, Budget, Local Schools, Canadian National/EJ&E, Public Safety, the Vehe Bonding troubles—and so much more. We’ve provided a local news clipping service, to call your attention to what gets the attention of local reporters; in fact, we’re always available to speak with reporters about local issues, on and off the record. We’ve helped neighbors learn how to research an issue and to speak publicly about it. We’ve introduced to you a number of your neighbors who are passionate about one issue or another—and we’ve always tried to delineate clearly between facts and opinions. In short, we’re trying to create an atmosphere that encourages all of us to be informed and to participate.

We think that 10 cents a day, \$36.50/year, is a very reasonable rate, but any amount is welcome. If your email system doesn't recognize the attached subscription form, please visit this link:

<http://deerparkneighbors.com/library/joindpn.pdf> to download the form.

District 95 concerned about future tax revenue:

<http://www.pioneerlocal.com/lakezurich/news/1325199,lz-d95budget-121108-s1.article>

CN/EJ&E

>From TRAC

In a December 8 filing to the STB, Union Pacific Railroad (UP) told the Board that CN has "unlawfully taken premature control of the EJ" and prevented UP from taking advantage of trackage rights it's had on the line since 2003. UP accuses CN of blatantly unlawful behavior by taking a premature role in EJ decision-making which is in violation of federal law that prohibits a railroad from exercising management control of another rail carrier without the approval and authorization of the Board.

Why should the public care about this fight between CN and UP? Because it demonstrates beyond a doubt that CN cannot be trusted to do the right thing. This news should be a chilling red flag to any communities contemplating what living under a CN agreement would be like when – according to a powerful railroad like UP – it can't even be trusted to abide by U.S. rail law! UP reminds the STB that there is precedent that this type of violation of rail law has – in the past – been cause for the Board to turn down such transactions. This is an opportunity for the STB to show CN that it will not allow CN or any railroad to unilaterally usurp its authority in approving rail mergers. The STB should demonstrate that it is a regulator of the rail industry and not its lap dog by turning down the CN acquisition of the EJ immediately!

The public can view a highly redacted copy of the UP filing on the STB documents section of the <http://FightRailCongestion.com> website.

From our own Rita Finley

Recent CN related news stories:

Article about last week's STB, Bean and Durbin: [article about Tuesday's meeting including the STB, Bean and Durbin:](#)

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chi-canadian-national-10-dec10,0,3395436.story>
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VILLAGE OF DEER PARK

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AGENDA December 15, 2008

7:00pm Deer Park Vehe Barn 23570 W. Cuba Road, Deer Park Illinois 60010

(*) Indicates that back-up material is enclosed in meeting agenda packet

1) Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum.

3) Approval of Agenda.

4) Approval and Release of minutes from the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held November 17, 2008*

5) Public Comments — Sign up prior to meeting on sign-in sheet on podium; 5 minutes time limit.

6) Village Engineer- Report and Recommendations

A) 2009 Road Program-request to bid*

B) Resolution for Motor Fuel Tax funds for \$87,000.00*

C) Deer Park Estates- Reduction of Letter of Credit # 2* (Red Seal Development)

D) Town Center Promenade Letter of Credit and Maintenance Agreement*

E) Report on drainage concerns related to Village of Lake Zurich

F) Pay Request # 3 from Arrow Road Construction in the amount of \$22,531.37 (2008 road Program)*

7) Vehe Farm- Report and Recommendations

A) Foundation Update*

B) Event Coordinator six month report

8) Village Attorney- Report and Recommendations

A) Ordinance amending village code regarding swimming pools*

B) Extension of Nicor franchise agreement*

9) Presentation of BACOG Legislative Platform*

10) Reports from President, Trustees, Administrator, Clerk, and Treasurer

A) President Gifford:

i) General Information

ii) Report on Sunrise Senior Living Development Project

iii) Reappointments of Plan Commission members David Heidtke and Sandy Schroeder to three year terms expiring December 31, 2011

B. Trustee Kellermann- Roads and Public Utilities:

i) Bonding Company Update from Keller*

ii) Roads and Drainage: 10 and 15 year plan

C. Trustee Kizior—Finance:

Trustee Plautz – Health & Sanitation:

ALCO legislative report

Trustee Pratscher – Planning and Zoning:

F. Trustee Rotter –Parks and Recreation:

G. Trustee Thrun – Public Safety:

H. Administrator Connors:

i) Use of Barn by Lake County for April 7, 2008 Consolidated General Election*

ii) RedSpeed project status report*

iii) Lake County notification of Hearing for a Conditional Permitted Use (20330 N. Rand Road)*

iv) Deer Park/Kildeer traffic enforcement boundary agreement status report

v) Draft purchasing policy

11) Investments Held Report

Approval of the Investments Held Report for November 2008 in the amount of \$1,643,474.55*

12) Cash Disbursements

Approval of accounts payable dated December 15, 2008 totaling \$380,013.94 plus payroll in the amount of \$17,879.33 and a manual check for \$320.00 for a total of \$398,213.27*

13) Kildeer Police Reports*

14) Executive Session to discuss compensation and employment of specific employees

15) Adjournment

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