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## Village Budget Depends On Population Count From Special Census

The Mayor and Village Trustees have approved a budget for the 2004-2005 fiscal year that once again includes no municipal property tax levy. Most of the village revenues come from the sharing of State of Illinois sales and income tax revenues with the village. About 31% of the overall revenue comes from the sharing of state income tax dollars allocated to municipalities by population. Another 28% of village revenue comes from the state sharing of 1 cent of the 6.5 cent sales tax the State of Illinois levies on each dollar of sales. Finally, the village receives about \$650,000 of motor fuel tax revenues from the state each year, which also, are allocated on the basis of population. Much of the remaining village revenue comes from permit fees.

With two key village revenue sources allocated directly on the basis of population, the village decided to request a special census earlier this year. Village staff has estimated that the population has increased by about 2,000 people since the official 2000 census. This fall, census workers will visit each household in the village. These workers will be professionals and will be easily identifiable. The interviews will take only a few minutes and all information will be confidential. It is important that all Homer Glen residents answer the door for the census takers and provide the information requested. Each additional person counted will provide the village with about \$100 of additional revenue per year. This will enable the village to continue to provide the best possible services to its residents.

**ZIP Code update, below and pg. 3**

**Businesses Must Register, pg. 5**

## Some Residents Question New ZIP Code

I have heard from residents who are disappointed that they were not included in the 60491 ZIP Code. Surveys were sent to Homer Glen addresses in the Lemont, Mokena, and Orland Park ZIP Codes and were mailed by the Postal Service, not the Village of Homer Glen. The village did, however, give notice of the impending survey in a village newsletter that was mailed to every address within Homer Glen's boundaries. The postmaster was required to abide by the results of the survey and carrier routes were established based on the results. Some votes were close, as in the case of Mokena, and some were not.

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## Russ Petrizzo, Mayor

Dear Residents,  
I'm pleased to welcome our new village manager, Dwight Johnson, to Homer Glen. Dwight comes to Homer Glen with many years of experience in municipal management. He has a firm understanding of the growth and environmental issues Homer Glen is facing and is a welcome addition to our staff. I am confident his skills will benefit us greatly.

The village, concerned about the sewer and water rates residents are paying, has established a task force to investigate sewer and water

service in our community, and to identify possible solutions to the rising costs of this necessary service. Homer Glen does not own the sewer and water system, and therefore does not control the rates, nor do we receive any revenue collected from the private utility.

Much needed commercial development is coming. I was pleased to participate in the recent groundbreaking ceremony for Menards (pg 3) and we have recently approved plans for Walgreens, DiNolfo's Banquet Hall and Loyola Medical Center. We are also in the process of hiring a Community Development Director and have begun economic development initiatives. In May, I traveled to Nevada with Trustee Vogelsanger

to attend the International Council of Shopping Centers Convention. We met with many retailers and commercial developers. It was a great opportunity to attract quality projects to Homer Glen. Retail development continues to be an important revenue source for our village and our schools. I strongly encourage all residents to support our local businesses.

Welcome these new businesses to Homer Glen:

- Alps Construction, Annico Dr.
- American Pastime Baseball, 14320 Golden Oak
- Copys Ink, 143<sup>rd</sup> & Bell Road
- Cousins & Associates, Annico Dr.
- Demi Jolie Boutique, 12143 159<sup>th</sup>
- En-Co Plumbing Inc., 12141 159<sup>th</sup>

*Russ Petrizzo, Mayor*

## Seeking Award Nominees: Community and Nature in Harmony Awards

Nominees for the 2004 Community and Nature in Harmony Awards are currently being sought to recognize an individual or group who, through the preservation, restoration, and/or beautification of land within the Homer Glen, demonstrated commitment to the environment and in the process significantly contributed to community pride.

The Community and Nature in Harmony Award was originally created in 2002 to celebrate Homer Glen Lands Day. The award program was repeated in 2003, when fifteen awards were presented. Selections for recipients of the award were based on nominations, from the public, of people who had contributed significantly to environmental efforts through August of 2003.

This award program has received many positive comments since its inception. There are many more

people in our community who demonstrate a commitment to the environment, and we would like to recognize these efforts by offering the award again in 2004. Awards for 2004 will be presented in September in conjunction with Homer Glen Lands Day, celebrated each year since 2001. Homer Glen Lands Day is observed in conjunction with National Public Lands Day, which will be observed on September 18, 2004.

For more information regarding this award or to nominate someone, an information packet is available at the Village Office, 14331 S. Golden Oak Dr., Homer Glen. For additional information about Homer Glen Lands Day, call (708)301-0632, or visit the village web site at [homerglen.org](http://homerglen.org). Information about National Public Lands Day may be found at [www.npld.com](http://www.npld.com). The deadline for nominations is July 25, 2004.

## Homer Glen's 3rd Annual Anniversary Tree Planting

On June 8, 2004, Mayor Russ Petrizzo joined other village officials, staff and volunteers for our third anniversary tree planting to commemorate our third anniversary as a village. The site selected for the tree this year is our new senior housing center, Founders Crossing. The tree will be located near the community center for all to enjoy.

Founders Crossing, located at approximately 148th Street and Bell Road, is a project sponsored by Homer Township that, when completed, will provide lower cost townhomes for a number of senior citizens. The Autumn Purple Ash tree was donated by A Touch of Green Nursery.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Dwight Johnson, Village Manager; Russ Petrizzo, Mayor; Dale Vogelsanger, Trustee; Mike DeVivo, Chairman of Zoning; Kim Vogelsanger, Chairperson of Communications and Civic Involvement; Laurel Ward, Chairperson of Town Center.

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## Some Residents Question New ZIP Code, *continued from page 1*

Although I have been told by the US Postal Service that it is not “written in stone” that the ZIP Code area can’t be expanded, they said it would be extremely difficult to do so after just having gone through the restructuring of the ZIP Code area less than a year ago.

Residents, especially those using Lemont and Orland Park ZIPs, are adamant that there are good reasons for having a Homer Glen ZIP Code, including:

- Lemont 60439 and Orland Park 60467 are viewed as Cook County ZIP Codes.
- Residents get jury duty notices for Cook County
- Many insurance companies base their rates on ZIP Codes, not the physical location. Residents may receive insurance premiums based on Cook County rates—one resident received a \$1200 refund for having been charged Cook County insurance premiums for eight years.
- They receive Cook County emission testing notices and threats of suspension for noncompliance.
- They don’t receive the local *Sun* newspaper.
- Residents have received tickets for not having a vehicle sticker, even though Homer Glen doesn’t require them.
- Their addresses are not recognized by internet mapping services, such as MapQuest.
- They have problems receiving shipments of large packages because some truck drivers do not cross county lines.
- Residents voted for incorporation, are proud to be Homer Glen residents, and expect and feel entitled to have a Homer Glen address.

Some residents don’t want a Homer Glen ZIP Code because:

- They don’t want to change checks and stationery.
- Certified mail and packages would need to be picked up from the Lockport Post Office until Homer Glen has its own substation (the US Postal Service said that no funds are currently available for any new post offices or substations).
- In the past they were able to use Orland Park facilities without paying out-of-district fees.

Although the manager of the Postal Address Management Services has no plans to re-survey at this time or any time soon, some residents feel that it is necessary to determine whether a survey would turn out any differently if it was mailed again. Several residents of Orland Park 60467 have volunteered to walk door-to-door with petitions asking residents to sign if they would be willing to change their ZIP Code to 60491 if the opportunity arose. If after reading this article, you would be willing to help with the petition drive, please contact

me directly. If enough support is demonstrated, I am willing to help to pursue this issue further.

*Chris Luttrell*, Village Clerk • (708) 301-0632

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## Road Resurfacing To Begin

The 2004 Village of Homer Glen/Homer Township Road Program will provide resurfacing improvements along the following sections of village and township streets this summer:

- Clifton Ln.; Coachman Ln. to Elizabeth Ln.
- Saddle Brook Ln.; Coachman Ln to 143<sup>rd</sup> St.
- Anne K Dr.; Coachman Ln. to Saddle Brook Ln.
- Casey Ln.; Clifton Ln. to Saddle Brook Ln.
- Coachman Ln.; Clifton Ln. to Saddle Brook Ln.
- Oakwood Dr.; W. of Golden Oak to Pine Grove Dr.
- Golden Oak; Oakwood Dr. to 400’ S of Oakwood Dr.
- Rado Dr.; Golden Oak Dr. to Golden Oak Dr.
- Beaver Lake Dr.; Lost Boy Ln. to Bell Rd.
- Lake View Dr.; Lake View Ct. to Will Cook Rd.
- Lake View Ct.; Lake View Dr. to cul-de-sac
- Lake View Pl.; Lake View Dr. to cul-de-sac
- Murvey Dr.; Coachman Ln. to Elizabeth Ln.
- Murvey Ct.; Murvey Dr. to cul-de-sac
- Wooly Hill Dr.; Forest View Dr. to Lake View Dr.
- Wooly Hill Ct.; Wooly Hill Ln. to cul-de-sac
- Wilco Dr.; 151<sup>st</sup> St. to Will Cook Rd.
- Forest View Dr.; Lake View Dr. to Lady Bar Ln.
- Allison Ln.; 151<sup>st</sup> St. to Spring Lake Dr.
- Spring Lake Dr.; Allison Ln. to Woodcrest Ave.
- 151<sup>st</sup> St.; Crème Rd. to Parker Rd.
- Janas Dr.; Lemont Rd. west to end
- Janas Pkwy.; 139<sup>th</sup> St. to 600’ east of Lemont Rd.
- Hawk Haven Rd.; Quail run Ct. to Janas Pkwy.
- Purley Ct.; Janas Pkwy. to cul-de-sac
- Hampton Ct.; Janas Pkwy. to cul-de-sac
- 141<sup>st</sup> St.; Lemont Rd. to Elm St.
- Nolan Ct.; Woodcrest Ave. to Allison Ln.
- Parker Rd.; 167<sup>th</sup> St. to Hadley Rd.
- Anand Brook Dr.; Bell Rd. to Lake View Dr.
- Turnberry Dr.; Anand Brook Dr. to Lake View Dr.
- Lake View Dr.; Anand Brook to Anand Brook Dr.
- Elizabeth Ln.; end to end (*widened & reconstructed*)

In advance of construction, warning signs will be posted at the entrance to each subdivision 72 hours prior to actual construction activities. If the project requires temporary closure of a private drive, the resident will be given 24 hours notice. We apologize for any inconvenience construction activities may cause. Please exercise additional caution through the work zones. For more information, contact the village office: (708) 301-0632.

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## Limiting the Effects of Storm Water Helps Everyone

With all the rain we have experienced this spring, homeowners troubled by wet basements, soggy yards or malfunctioning septic systems should practice these basic tips on improving stormwater drainage. Solving the problems created by surface water runoff and poorly drained soils will not only improve your property and protect your investment, but will also yield benefits to our rivers, streams and reservoirs.

As rain runs off roofs, patios and driveways, it often erodes slopes and bare spots and carries loose soil into culverts, roadside ditches and waterways. This sediment muddies streams, smothers fish and blankets bottom-dwelling animals. Oil, pesticides and chemicals from fertilizers also can be carried away by runoff from your property and eventually pollute our surface waters and groundwater.

Check your plat of survey to identify if your property contains detention or drainage areas. If you have detention or drainage swales, do not fill, change the grade, locate structures or landscape in them. Do not make any changes to your property that will alter or restrict water from flowing through your property. Always keep swales free of debris.

Leaving taller grass in the swales helps slow down the flow of stormwater, allowing it to filter down into the soil and prevents erosion. This helps replenish the water level in the underground aquifers that supply your wells. It also helps clean the storm water before it enters detention basins and eventually, our streams.

Slow soil permeability commonly contributes to drainage problems. Soil compaction makes these problems worse. You can prevent this by limiting foot traffic on your lawn during wet periods. If your homesite has a dense layer of clay, the flow of water through the soil may be restricted and water may collect or “pond” on your lawn. By planting deep rooted native plants in these areas, it will allow the water to better infiltrate the soil. When the clay layer is near the surface, you can improve a small low laying wet spot by digging a small trench through the clay layer and filling it with sand, gravel, pine bark or other porous materials. By encouraging rainwater to move slowly across the soil, most of it will filter back into the ground.

Storm water that falls on our community makes its way into our creeks and streams at some point. We all live in a watershed. A watershed is the land that water flows across or under on its way to a stream, river or lake. The two major watersheds in Homer Glen are Spring Creek to the south and Long Run Creek to the north. A small stream flowing through your property can be a valuable asset if it is clean, attractive and free of erosion. Streambank erosion,

if left unchecked, can become a major problem for property owners. Increases in water volume, pollutants and sediments may cause streambank erosion.

Attractive buffer zones of vegetation near streams can enhance your property and keep soil erosion in check. Buffers of native plants along your stream bank will help clean the surface water runoff before it enters your stream.

Trees are especially important to streambank stability and the health of the stream itself and should not be cleared away. Tree roots not only stabilize banks but also remove nutrients and sediments harmful to streams. By providing shade, trees decrease stream temperature and create a more favorable environment for fish and other aquatic life.

You and your neighbors can protect the quality of the stream by following a few simple conservation measures. Remove large obstructions and man-made litter from your stream. Never dump leaves, grass clippings or other organic matter near or into a stream. Illinois State statues prohibit dumping grass clippings and other wastes into creeks and streams. Violators can be reported to Will County Land-Use Waste Services at 815-727-8834. Never dump oils, grease or hazardous products in the stream. Do not place logs or other objects near the stream edge that could float away in a heavy rainstorm. Keep paved areas to a minimum near streams. Control runoff by improving drainage around your home. Do not channelize (straighten) or disrupt stream bottoms.

Following these simple basics can improve the effect that storm water can have on your property and the surrounding community. The following web sites will provide additional information:

The Center for Watershed Protection:  
[www.cwp.org](http://www.cwp.org)

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA):  
[www.epa.state.il.us](http://www.epa.state.il.us)

IL Department of Natural Resources:  
[www.dnr.state.il.us](http://www.dnr.state.il.us)

Will/South Cook Soil & Water Conservation District:  
[www.will-scookswcd.org](http://www.will-scookswcd.org)



*Menards Groundbreaking—see article, opposite*

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## Green Vision Presented to Community

There was standing room only on Friday, May 21 when the Green Vision for the Homer Glen Community was unveiled. The Grand Finale, to which all residents were invited, celebrated over eighteen months of work to draft an environmental vision for Homer Glen. Representatives of the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission presented an overview of the vision statement, goals, and objectives. The Green Vision includes plans to protect more open space, address parks and recreation needs, establish a town center, create a greenway environmental corridor, improve transportation, and protect water resources.

The visioning process was made possible by a \$110,000 Green Communities Demonstration Program grant administered by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Mr. Kevin Greene, Manager of the IEPA Office of Pollution Prevention attended the finale and commended Homer Glen for its visionary work. Mr. Greene was pleased with the amount of participation and thoroughness of Homer Glen's environmental planning. He also stated the IEPA is interested in working further with Homer Glen to achieve the goals outlined in the Green Vision.

Laurel Ward, a member of the Green Grant Steering Committee, explained how initiatives could be implemented. She said that the Green Vision is a comprehensive plan and many residents want to know how are we going to pay for it. She explained that many of the objectives do not require direct funding; they can be achieved instead through planning and changes in ordinances. Other funding mechanisms include site contribution ordinances, grants, and general revenue including sales tax and revenue sharing income the village receives. She then went on to announce the formation of the Homer Glen Community & Nature Center, a non-profit organization that was established to raise funds for community projects.

Trustee Margaret Sabo thanked all the community members that participated in the visioning process. Participants spent many hours crafting an ambitious, but achievable vision for Homer Glen. For details about the vision, goals and objectives refer to the Green Vision on the village website: [www.homerglen.org](http://www.homerglen.org).

## Menards Super Store Breaks Ground

Mayor Russ Petrizzo, other village officials, staff, and Homer Glen volunteers joined with representatives of Menards and Weis Builders to celebrate the breaking of ground for the new Menards store in Homer Glen. The groundbreaking was held on Friday, May 28 at 10:00 a.m. at the Menards entrance on Bell Road north of 143<sup>rd</sup> Street (just north of Homer Town Square shopping center). Michelle Menard was present to represent Menards.

The Menards building will be approximately 210,000 square feet in size and will be the largest individual commercial building in Homer Glen, as well as one of the largest stores built by Menards.

Menards, which plans to open for business in spring 2005, will be a very important addition to the community both for the services it will provide to our residents and the additional sales tax dollars the store will bring to Homer Glen. *See photo, page 4.*

**“Thank you for letting us into your community. We are happy to be here.”**

**—Michelle Menard**

## Business Registration

On May 18, 2004 the Village of Homer Glen Board of Trustees passed Ordinance No. 04-030 requiring that all businesses operating within the corporate boundaries of Homer Glen register with the village. All businesses in existence and operating as of May 18, 2004 were required to be registered by July 1, 2004. We have sent separate notices to all known businesses. Please call the village office if you did not receive an application in the mail. The application is also available on the village's website. New businesses are required to register within 30 days after beginning to conduct business in Homer Glen.

The initial registration period will be effective July 1 of this year thru December 31, 2005 and run on a calendar-year basis thereafter. The fee for this first extended registration period is \$30.00 and is expected to be \$30 annually beginning in January of 2006.

Not-for-profit entities and governmental bodies are not required to register, but the Fire Districts and Sheriff's Police have requested contact information for after-hours emergency use. No registration fee is required.

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## Check Monthly Bills

Update your address with your telecommunications and utility companies—you may be paying a governmental surcharge fee to a different city. Homer Glen has no utility tax, but other municipalities do. If you see a “Lockport Mtt” or any other municipality with a charge associated with it, you can call the company and have them change your address in their database so you will no longer be charged. SBC will waive their \$4.00 fee to change your address.

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## Homer Glen's Outstanding Volunteers of the Year 2004

At the village board meeting on June 8, 2004, Mayor Russ Petrizzo was delighted to announce the winners of the Outstanding Volunteers of the Year for 2004. Each volunteer was awarded a plaque for their dedication and commitment to the village. Mayor Petrizzo also awarded certificates of appreciation to the other 100+ volunteers.

The mayor thanked all of our volunteers in the village for their hard work and dedication and stated, "With the continued help and support of all of our volunteers, we will carry on with what we've started, making Homer Glen the best community around. We value your contributions, expertise, dedication and commitment greatly, and we wish to thank you and extend our congratulations on behalf of the Village of Homer Glen."

The following Outstanding Volunteers of the Year for 2004 are:

**Len Drnec:** Currently the Chairman of our Planning Commission, Len had previously been involved with the Plan Commission for Homer Township and has been involved in helping this community for many years. Len was also the Chairman for the Comprehensive Plan Committee that was integral in shaping the direction of the Village of Homer Glen. Len spends a great deal of time in the office, whether it is meeting with village staff or a developer to view a proposed project. Len attends all the village board meetings to stay abreast of the current projects going on with the village and to offer his expertise and knowledge when questions about a recent development arise.

**Bill Karn:** Also a Homer Glen Plan Commissioner, Bill has also been heavily involved since we became our own village. Bill was also on the Comprehensive Plan Committee, is a current member of the Stormwater Task Force and also attends the village board meetings to keep abreast of the various issues affecting the village. Bill is very well versed in floodplain and wetland ordinances and researches many issues, policies and procedures and other neighboring communities ordinances for the village. Most recently, Bill developed a handout for residents and developers to use when going before the Plan Commission to expedite the approval process. Bill has supported many local civic efforts and is active with the Homer Seniors.

**Evelyn Walano:** Evelyn is currently also a Homer Glen Plan Commissioner. Prior to the incorporation of the village, Evelyn volunteered on the Homer Township Land Acquisition Committee for five years that focused on buying land to preserve as open space. She agreed to

serve as a Plan Commissioner for the village Plan Commission when Homer Glen was formed. Evelyn was most recently a member of the Comprehensive Plan Committee, is the current Chairperson for the Trails Task Force, is an advisory member of the Parks and Recreation Committee, and is a member of the Town Center Task Force. Evelyn has been instrumental in researching and writing grants for the Trails Task Force and securing funding for future trails in our community. She is not only involved with the village, but also donates her time with district 92 as President of the PFA. Evelyn always considers the village's best interests first when contemplating a decision and is always willing to offer her services and many talents for the good of the community.



*Evelyn Walano*

**John Robinson:** John worked as a volunteer firefighter for years before he moved to Homer Township in 1997. He joined the Emergency Management Agency when he moved in, and was asked to serve as director when the previous director stepped down last year. John has secured donations of not only an ambulance, but also a light truck for our EMA, and has donated many hours of time to refurbish and rewire it for our use. John has coordinated the purchase of our emergency weather tracking system and worked with the Homer Fire Protection District to install this very important early warning system. He is Homer Glen's liaison with other emergency management agencies and the police and fire department personnel in the surrounding communities. John is currently coordinating training for all of our EMA members so that in the event of a disaster or an emergency, Homer Glen is prepared and has qualified individuals to help. *continued on page 7*



*From left to right: Bill Karn, Len Drnec, Laurel Ward and John Robinson.*

## Outstanding Volunteers of the Year 2004, *continued from pg. 6*

**Laurel Ward:** Laurel is currently Chairperson for our Town Center Task Force, and is a member of the Green Vision process. Laurel has dedicated many hours of her time in obtaining grants from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to participate in the Green Communities Demonstration Program for the visioning process for Homer Glen. She has participated in drafting the mission statement and the goals for the Green Vision that focus on the areas of community image and character, open space,

parks and recreation, habitat and wildlife, transportation, and water resources. Laurel is also an active member of the advisory board for the Shady Oaks Cerebral Palsy Camp and is currently in the process of forming the Community and Nature Center, a not-for-profit organization for the support, establishment and acquisition of public parks, open space, and trails, to protect conservation areas and natural habitats, and to promote sustainable agricultural practices within the community.

### news YOU CAN USE

- **If you can't see your address, neither can we!!** Before an emergency arises, please be sure to check to see that your address is clearly posted and visible from the street. Ordinance requires minimum letter size of 3". Your local police and fire department depend on it!
- **New village entry signs installed.** Look for one on a corner near you. *(small signs donated and installations compliments of Rich Santucci of All American Signs) (original logo design by Christine Luttrell, Anthony Ficke, Kerri Treacy and Trustee Dale Vogelsanger) (village slogan created by Village Office Manager, Patti Maska and submitted by Trustee Dale Vogelsanger)*
- **The village has received a \$1,000,000.00 federal surface Transportation Program grant** to widen and improve the intersection of 143rd Street and Lemont Road. IDOT and Will County have held initial planning meetings.



- **The Village Board recently adopted speed limit changes** in the northwest and southwest quadrants of the village for all subdivision streets. These actions were in response to the many complaints that were filed with the village.

After receiving traffic studies completed by village engineers, speed limits were lowered on South Bell Road, Hadley Road, and 167<sup>th</sup> Street. These areas have sections with very limited visibility. Additional signs will be installed warning drivers of "driveways ahead" along these streets and to be cautious. With the road construction season in full swing, we encourage all residents to drive safely.

- **Homer Glen has received** the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Conformance for the second consecutive year. This award recognizes excellence in governmental accounting and financial reporting.



- **Homer Glen approves official village seal...** At a recent village board meeting, the official seal for the Village of Homer Glen was approved *(design compliments of Rich Santucci of All American Signs and our very own Village Clerk, Christine Luttrell)*
- **Building Permits Required...** Similar to "Call Julie before you dig" please visit our office and obtain a permit to build or erect all new structures, including accessory structures such as sheds, decks and swimming pools. Building permits can be obtained at Homer Glen's Building Department. The village offices have been remodeled and the Building Department has relocated to 13029 W. 143rd St., one door east of the village council chambers.

### CONGRATULATIONS

- **To the Lockport High School Porters Class AA Softball Champions!**
- **To Homer Glen resident Garrett Guest who recently signed with the Chicago White Sox!**

## VILLAGE OF HOMER GLEN • MEETING CALENDAR

Board of Trustees	7:30 pm
June 1 Workshop	July 6 Workshop
June 8 Workshop	July 20 Board Meeting
June 22 Board Meeting	Aug 3 Workshop
	Aug 17 Board Meeting
Communications and Civic Involvement Committee	7:30 pm
2nd and 4th Monday, Conference Room	
Emergency Management Agency (EMA)	
1st and 3rd Thursday	7:00 pm
Homer Fire Protection Station #2 • 16131 South Bell Road	
Environment Committee	7:00 pm
2nd Monday, Village Council Chamber	
Parks & Recreation Committee	7:30 pm
4th Monday, Village Council Chamber	
Public Safety Committee	8:00 pm
3rd Wednesday, Village Council Chamber	
Plan Commission	7:30 pm
1st and 3rd Thursday, Village Council Chamber	
Transportation Commission	7:30 pm
1st Monday, Village Council Chamber	
Zoning Commission	7:00 pm
June 2, June 16, July 7, August 4	
1st & 3rd Wednesdays, Sept. to Dec., Village Council Chamber	

Unless otherwise specified, meetings are held in the Village Council Chamber, 13031 W. 143<sup>rd</sup> Street. Agendas for the following week's meetings are generally updated on our website on Friday evenings.

## Bell Road Intersection Improvements

Significant road improvements will be occurring along Bell Road this summer. The intersection of 151<sup>st</sup> Street and Bell Road will be closed for 3-4 weeks as left and right turning lanes are added. Through traffic will be directed toward Will-Cook Road during this period. Local traffic will still be allowed on portions of Bell Road. Expect to see increased traffic on Parker Road during the construction period.

Bell Road will also see two new traffic signals and intersections widened at Martingale and at Founders Crossing this summer. These improvements are associated with the new Founders Crossing commercial development being constructed on the west side of Bell Road.

The Will County Highway Department will install signs to notify residents two weeks prior to the start of construction.



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### *Village of Homer Glen Mission Statement*

The Village of Homer Glen is committed to preserving, protecting, and enhancing our community's quality of life through responsible residential and economic development while utilizing sound fiscal management. We will strive to maintain open space, preserve our unique rural character, and safeguard our natural resources. The village encourages community involvement in order to maintain and cultivate a balance of family, agriculture, business, environment, and cultural diversity for present and future generations.



**To the Homer Glen Resident at:**

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