



MANAGER'S REPORT FOR MAY 10, 2013
GENERAL INFORMATION AND RESPONSES TO MAYOR & COMMISSIONER REQUESTS

Places to be this Week...

Village Council Meeting – The Village Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 14 at 7 p.m.** in the Council Chambers at Village Hall.

Barth Ceremony - The Barth Ceremony will be held on **Thursday, May 16, 2013 at 1 p.m.** at Barth Pond.

Public Works Open House - The annual Public Works Open House will be held **Friday, May 17 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.**

Future Calendar Reminders...

Coffee with the Council - The first Coffee with the Council will be held on **Saturday, May 18 at the Main Street Train Station from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.**

Village Council Meeting – The Village Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 21 at 7 p.m.** in the Council Chambers at Village Hall.

rEmarks - Today the Village launched its new venue for digital participation in Village Council meetings. *rEmarks* offers residents and others an opportunity to comment directly on Village Council agenda items using an online form on the agenda page of the Village website. The form will become available each Friday when the Council agenda is posted online and will remain open until Tuesday at noon. Comments will be compiled, distributed to the the Council and posted on the website as part of the Council Responses. Written answers to questions submitted by residents will not be provided, however, it is likely that the questions submitted will be discussed and addressed during the Village Council meeting.

Green Business Program Proclamation - At the May 14 Village Council meeting, the Village will recognize its first Green Business through a Mayoral Proclamation. The Environmental Concerns Commission granted recognition to Bale Mold Service Inc. (2824 Hitchcock Ave) at its April meeting. A copy of Bales' presentation highlighting its environmentally friendly practices is attached. At its meeting on May 10, the Environmental Concerns Commission also approved Competitive Lawn Service, Inc. as a Green Business. Competitive Lawn will be recognized formally at a future Council meeting.

DuPage River Sweep - Village volunteers will be participating in the DuPage County River Sweep sponsored by the Conservation Foundation by cleaning a portion of St. Joseph's Creek on Saturday, May 18. The event is a county-wide effort to remove litter, debris and invasive species from streams. Volunteers will meet at Gilbert Park at 9:00 am to clean the portion of St. Joseph's Creek that runs from Lee Avenue to Jacqueline Drive. Clean-up materials will be provided and the sweep will conclude at 12:00 pm. Anyone interested on volunteering can contact Nick Santoro at nsantoro@downers.us. More information on the county-wide event is available here: <http://www.theconservationfoundation.org/events/dupage-river-sweep.html>

May Street Sweeping Cycle - The Village's street sweeping contractor K. Hoving will start the May sweeping cycle on Monday, May 13. The contractor will likely have two sweepers starting north in sections 1 & 2 and then working south. The work should be done with sweeping in all sections by Friday, May 17.

Water Main Break Pavement Restorations - Chicagoland Paving Contractors will start on Wednesday, May 15 to restore areas of pavement that have been removed over the winter as a result of underground water utility repairs. This work is expected to be complete by the end of May.

Maple Tower Rehabilitation - The contractor (Amcoat) has re-mobilized to complete this project. They are in the process of re-rigging the containment system and will proceed with the application of the exterior finish coat daily as weather conditions permit. This work is extremely weather sensitive as temperature, humidity, dew point and wind speeds all need to be within acceptable parameters for the contractor to work.



Downers Grove Green Business Application 2013

Bales Mold Service, Inc
2824 Hitchcock Avenue
Downers Grove



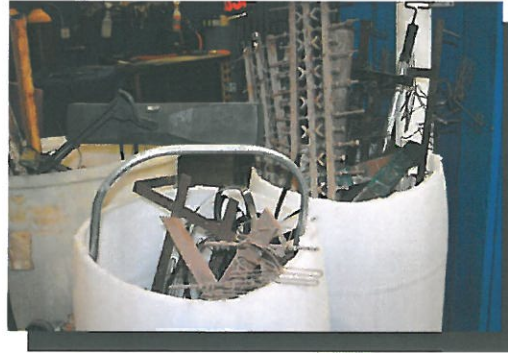
Waste Reduction & Recycling

- Paperless Payday, encourage paperless payments with customers and vendors
- Provide employees with reusable coffee mug and lunch tote to reduce waste
- Our Shipping department reuses packaging materials and boxes to reduce waste. We recycle our own office shredded material as packaging material.
- Recycle computer equipment
- Brochures are available for download to reduce mailings/waste



Waste Reduction & Recycling

- Collect scrap materials for recycling



- Materials are retained and reused as much as possible to reduce waste



Water Conservation

- Low flow toilets and urinals
- Maintenance procedures to check for leaks
- Shut down procedures
- Floor scrubber conserves water



3 gallons = 780 gallons a year



5 gallons = 1820 gallons a year

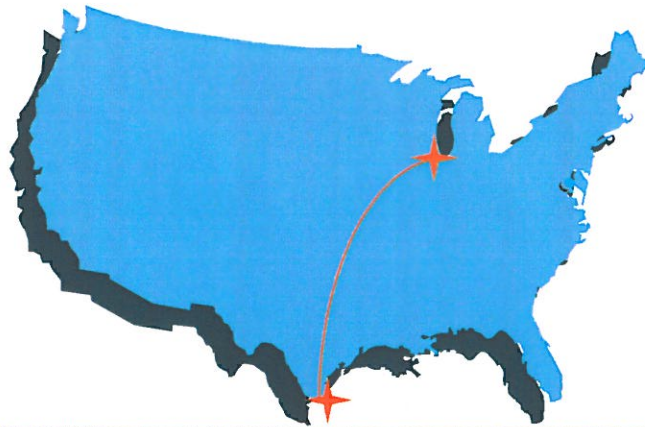
Energy Conservation

- 12 Solar tracking lights reflect light into the building and decrease need for lights
- 6 Skylights through building decrease need for lights
- Timers, motion sensors and shut down procedures
- Replaced incandescent bulbs
- Use large fans to direct heat down in winter and cool in summer to reduce energy use



Transportation

- Regular maintenance on vehicles for fuel efficiency
- Use electric lifts, pallet jacks and carts to reduce need for (propane) forklift
- Utilize teleconference to reduce travel to customers and our second location



- Switched to an environmentally friendly citric passivation process in 2006
- Zero discharge facility
- Members of various trade organizations to stay current with regulations and best practices



**Unless someone like
you cares a whole awful
lot, nothing is going to
get better. It's not.
~ Dr. Seuss**

Thank you!

Bales Mold Service, Inc

Sara Mortensen

