To: The Honorable Members of the Fox Point Village Board

From: Scott A. Botcher, Village Manager

Date: February 12, 2021

Re: Administrative Report for the Week Ending February 12, 2021

ADMINISTRATION

1. Final preparations for the Spring Primary Election, next Tuesday, are underway in the Clerk’s Office; poll locations open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.
2. Clerk’s Office attended a Redistricting Training on Wednesday morning.
3. Public Test of the voting equipment was completed on Monday by the Clerk’s Office.
4. Lottery and Gaming Credit Claims were reconciled and submitted to Milwaukee County Treasurer’s office by Village Treasurer’s Office staff.
5. February Tax Settlement was calculated and reports sent by Treasurer’s Office staff to taxing entities.
6. Chargebacks were calculated and sent by Treasurer’s Office staff to taxing entities.
7. Please visit the North Shore Health Department website for all COVID and other health related information. https://www.nshealthdept.org/
8. Staff facilitated and attended monthly Village Board meeting.
10. Staff participated in North Shore Health Department EOC meeting.
11. Village Manager participated in monthly ICC meeting.
12. Ice Rink hours have been extended to 10PM on Friday and Saturday nights. The ice is in excellent shape!
13. Staff facilitated and attended Building Board meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

1. Water utility and DPW staff responded to two water main breaks this week – one on Santa Monica and the other on Wye Lane. This brings the total number of breaks for the season to twelve.
2. Water utility staff gathered re-reads on meters needed for quarterly billing, continued to update GIS lateral information, put together a list of lengths of mains and laterals along Lake Drive in order to develop a cost estimate for replacement and continued to work on determining which valves turn right or left in order for them to be shut down during a water main break.
3. DPW staff continued with rink maintenance which is in really good shape this year. The weather has been quite cooperative to date.

4. DPW staff also continue with tree removals and will move on to tree pruning, moving snow to make room for more snow events, responded to the snow events this week and performed normal weekly activities.

5. The mechanics repaired two scooters (clutch and fuel pump), worked on the loader (fuel injection) and performed other PMs and maintenance activities. The loader is about 12 years old and, given the recent repairs made to it, will likely be moved up in the replacement schedule.

6. The mechanics and foreman made a site visit to Lake Forest, IL on Friday to inspect the type of scooters they use in their garbage collection.

7. Staff participated in a conference call with Fund for Lake Michigan about possible funding for the Beach Drive project. Funding seems like a good possibility but we will wait until a more detailed design is completed along the shoreland portion of the project.

8. The foreman participated in a webinar on Thursday related to alternatives to salt usage during winter weather events. Among the topics discussed included calibration of equipment, reductions in the amount used per lane mile, using salt brine, and other alternative methods such as the use of beet juice. Many of the topics discussed were already known by staff and our practices include salting main roads (e.g., Calumet) but only spreading salt at intersections on collector roads (e.g., Navajo) and allowing the tires on cars to track the salt along the road. We also pre-wet the salt so that it doesn’t bounce off the road. From a historical perspective, we order and use less salt now than we did 10 to 15 years ago recognizing the impacts to the environment and will generally plow the roads if we do not need to salt them. Certain weather conditions, however, do require us to salt the roads.

9. Staff participated in a webinar on pedestrian safety at crosswalks at signalized and non-signalized intersections.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Officers responded to a report of family trouble when a resident was experiencing difficulty with their adult child who was enraged and damaging items in the home. The officers were able to de-escalate the situation and the subject was arrested for a domestic violence related disorderly conduct. The subject was transported to the criminal justice facility pending charges with the district attorney.

2. Command staff members attended training conferences and management seminars related to legal issues, employment law, and leadership.

3. Staff provided training to the faculty at Saint Eugene’s School related to school safety.

4. Officers responded to a report of a package theft after a resident noticed that an item ordered online had not been delivered. An investigation shows, through USPS tracking, that the package arrived at the home; however, the resident did not receive the item. The officer attempted to identify suspects using residential cameras in the area and the case remains under investigation.

5. Officers responded to assist a person with age related memory loss after they walked away from home. The resident was not dressed for the weather and at risk of injury due to the
cold temperatures. A citizen observed the resident walking and, based on their observations, felt the resident was in danger. The citizen contacted officers to help the resident return home.

*Being observant and reporting unusual situations is an example of the community engagement and partnership the police have with the residents of Fox Point to keep the community safe.*

6. Officers responded to a report of disorderly conduct when a resident reported a person banging on the windows and doors, attempting to get into the home. The officers determined the subject had been released from jail, after an earlier arrest for domestic violence, and had returned to the home in violation of a court order. The subject was arrested for violating the order and returned to the criminal justice facility.