

## NORTHFIELD VILLAGE CAUCUS MEETING

July 19, 2018

Those members attending were Marsha Balsamo, Tom Bolling, Frank Charhut, John Cherveney, Jonathan Don, Mark Gantner, Bill Gould, John Howard, Keith Reed, Dennis Smith, Cricket Trutter Hauff, and David Woodyatt. Also in attendance were prospective members Genie Cooper, Jeannie Scully and Larry Russell, and guest Mrs. David Woodyatt.

At 6:30 PM, Eric Deloy, Deputy Director of Public Safety Support Services, took most of our attendees on a tour of the Glenview Public Safety Dispatch Center which is on the second floor of the Village of Glenview Building at 2500 E. Lake Ave in Glenview. It is a relatively new facility that has been formed by many villages, fire and police departments consolidating their 911 dispatch offices. Currently the following villages, police and fire departments use the Center: Glenview, Grayslake, Hainesville, Morton Grove, Niles, Highland Park, Highwood, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Lindenhurst, Glencoe, Winnetka, Northfield and Kenilworth. This consolidation was the result of a State law that required villages with less than 25,000 population to consolidate these services. There are now about 217,000 people covered by the Center with a backup operation in Highland Park. Mr. Deloy mentioned that 911 should be called when a resident is witnessing an in-progress crime, fear for their life or safety, or for that of another and if the resident believes there is an imminent threat to property. The caller needs to report the address of the incident and where they are calling from. If the exact address is not known, the resident should have the street names of the nearest intersection. Mr. Deloy suggested that residents may want to make a test call to 911 from their land lines and cell phones to see where their calls are answered. He said that the participating villages' "neighborhood watch" programs should not be affected by this consolidation. Northfield, for example, still lets residents call its non-emergency number to put their houses on watch during vacations or prolonged absences, and the police department does in fact make regular rounds to view these houses.

The Dispatch Center has very advanced and sophisticated equipment, monitors, surveillance cameras, etc. There were several employees working on calls during our visit and it was apparent that calls coming in were quickly handled. The employees work on 12 hour shifts 3 or 4 days a week, which they prefer over 8 hour shifts. The employees are covered under a union contract. Mr. Deloy said that the Center's website is [https://glenview.il.us/Pages/Emergency\\_Dispatch.aspx](https://glenview.il.us/Pages/Emergency_Dispatch.aspx), if further information is needed.

**The Caucus meeting started at about 7:15.** Upon motion made by Cricket Trutter Hauff and second by Tom Bolling, the agenda for the meeting was approved. Upon motion by Dennis Smith and second by John Cherveney, the minutes of the April 19, 2018 minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Mark Gantner and the bank account remains at \$1,213.86.

Bill Gould, Chair of the Caucus Survey Committee, reported that the Caucus needed to do a new survey within the next two years. He said that some consideration has been given to try to gain resident input at informal block or social gatherings but that perhaps these events are not conducive to discussing village problems. Cricket Trutter Hauff suggested that the Caucus have a tent at the new Farmer's Market on Wednesdays to pass out information on the Caucus' activities and highlight the importance of the process. Jon Don suggested that we might utilize the 2040 Survey underway in the Village and be more systematic with our survey rather than relying on informal group discussions. He mentioned that we need to find out if anyone on the Caucus has had experience in doing surveys. One of our prospective members, Larry Russell, said he had done several surveys during his career.

Marsha Balsamo, Chair of our Membership Committee, reported on new prospects Genie Cooper, Jeannie Scully and Larry Russell, and reported that bios of all three have been circulated to Caucus members, at which point their sponsors gave a brief introduction of them. After a few questions, it was decided to vote on all three at the end of the meeting. Jon passed out an updated Caucus membership list with precinct numbers, current and optimum counts for each (Attachment A).

Jon Don and John Cherveney gave an update on the Nominating Committee's efforts thus far. Attached is the recent newspaper report on the Caucus' work on this very important matter (Attachment B). Several prospects have been contacted and applications are due by the end of August. Then the Caucus interviews of the candidates will be held the evenings of September 11, 12, and 13 at Clarkson Park. The Caucus' bi-annual Town Meeting will then be held at the Village Hall on October 18, 2018, at which time the Caucus's candidates (and any independent candidates) will be presented for a future vote by Village residents. It was reported that the Committee is receiving a "favorable response" from potential candidates.

Jon gave a quick report on the Village's Vision Plan 2040 and passed out an announcement from the Village on its activities (Attachment C). Those interested can attend a Community Workshop July 26 at 7:00 PM presented by Houseal Lavigne Associates, the professional survey group retained by the Village. The survey is to be done in 18 months.

The only "reports from members" was that, according to Keith Reed, the Park District's Wednesday evening events for all residents at Clarkson Park have been very successful with large crowds of people of all ages.

There being no new business, the three prospects were asked to leave the room. After a brief discussion, motions duly made and seconded on each of the prospects were unanimously approved. Thus, Genie Cooper, Jeannie Scully and Larry Russell became members of the Caucus.

A motion made by Marsha and second by Bill Gould to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved. The next Caucus meetings will be the nominating meetings September 11-13 and the Biennial Town Meeting on October 18, 2018.

Prepared by Caucus Secretary Keith A. Reed



# 2017-2018 Northfield Village Caucus Membership

Alphabetical

The following residents serve on the 2017-2018 Northfield Village Caucus:

<u>Voting Precinct</u>	<u>Caucus Member</u>	<u>Contact Information</u>
9	Marco Aiello	<a href="mailto:Marco.O.Aiello@gmail.com">Marco.O.Aiello@gmail.com</a>
<del>27</del>	<del>David Aul</del>	<del><a href="mailto:david@davidaul.com">david@davidaul.com</a></del>
9	Marsha Balsamo, Vice Chair	847 971-8371
20	Jennifer Bishop-Jenkins	<a href="mailto:jenniferbienkins@aol.com">jenniferbienkins@aol.com</a>
37	Thomas Bolling	<a href="mailto:tbolling@nexamcorp.com">tbolling@nexamcorp.com</a>
37	<del>Frank Charhut</del>	847 446-6398
44	John Cherveney	<a href="mailto:redart99@yahoo.com">redart99@yahoo.com</a>
8	Al Chircop	<a href="mailto:archco@comcast.net">archco@comcast.net</a>
37	Dave Detlefsen	847 446-4460
9	Jonathan Don, Chair	847 441-7049
20	Kathy Estabrooke	847 441-6239
8	Ericka Foster	<a href="mailto:erickafooster@gmail.com">erickafooster@gmail.com</a>
44	Dave Fullerton	<a href="mailto:dsf1775@sbcglobal.net">dsf1775@sbcglobal.net</a>
9	Mark Gantner, Treasurer	<a href="mailto:mtgantner@gmail.com">mtgantner@gmail.com</a>
8	Bill Gould	<a href="mailto:billgould1@hotmail.com">billgould1@hotmail.com</a>
44	John Green	<a href="mailto:1060arborln@gmail.com">1060arborln@gmail.com</a>
9	John Howard	<a href="mailto:Howard12344@comcast.net">Howard12344@comcast.net</a>
23	Bettina Karlove	<a href="mailto:vanguard0@comcast.net">vanguard0@comcast.net</a>
37	John Kemper	847 446-3423
23	Jerry Mulick	<a href="mailto:jemulick@aol.com">jemulick@aol.com</a>
37	Keith Reed, Secretary	312 925-6778
37	Peter Rolwes	<a href="mailto:rolwespete@gmail.com">rolwespete@gmail.com</a>
37	Art Silverman	<a href="mailto:arthurttu@aol.com">arthurttu@aol.com</a>
9	Dennis Smith	<a href="mailto:dwsmith1024@gmail.com">dwsmith1024@gmail.com</a>
9	Kim Stricker	<a href="mailto:KimStricker@yahoo.com">KimStricker@yahoo.com</a>
44	Cricket Trutter Hauff	<a href="mailto:ctrutter@aol.com">ctrutter@aol.com</a>
9	David Woodyatt	847 446-1144

Resigned 6/26  
moving from  
Northfield

## PRECINCT

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<u>(7/17/2018)</u>	<u>Reg. Voters</u> <u>(3/19/2013)</u>
<u>CURRENT</u> <u>COUNT</u>	<u>OPTIMUM</u>
3	2.6
8	5.5
2	5.3
2	6.2
7	9.1
4	5.3
<u>26</u>	<u>34</u>

Updated: May 22, 2018

# Northfield Caucus starts Village trustee slating process

Applications are due on Aug. 27

## SUBMITTED CONTENT

The Northfield Village Caucus has initiated its slating process for the next round of Village leadership elections to be held in April 2019.

Jonathan Don, chairman of the Northfield Village Caucus, announced the commencement of the public process. Residents of the Village of Northfield are invited to the Caucus website ([northfieldcaucus.com](http://northfieldcaucus.com)) to view the information package available for interested prospective candidates.

In the April 2019 elections, Village residents will vote for three Village trustees each serving a term of four years. These positions are currently held by John Gregorio, Allan Kaplan and Thomas Roszack.

Don invited all Village residents to work with the Northfield Caucus in identifying potential candidates for these significant positions.

"There has been so much progress in Northfield over the last few years with the care and attention being given to the road system and increasing quality of storm water management, yet there is much to be done in building the iden-

tity and long term view of this wonderful community," Don said.

In a non-partisan way, the Caucus assembles the ideas and concerns of village residents and distills them into basic policy and goals. The summarized Platform serves as a guide for the selection of Trustee candidates who are compatible with the tenets of the Platform.

On Sept. 11-13, the Caucus will interview prospective candidates and vote on the slate of candidates to be put forward to the village for consideration in the elections.

Nominating Committee chairman Al Chircop

asks Village residents, "to come forward in leading this positive agenda. Northfield has a great spirit, perfect location and its infrastructure make it an ideal location. The Village finances are in a strong position. This is an ideal environment for Village leadership to take Northfield's attractiveness to another level. With the talent base in our community, we have been fortunate to have found such leaders in the past. With effort and a little bit of luck, we look forward to this continuing in the next round of elections. We should not take our past success in finding strong non-partisan leaders for granted. We must work at it."

Village residents interested in being considered

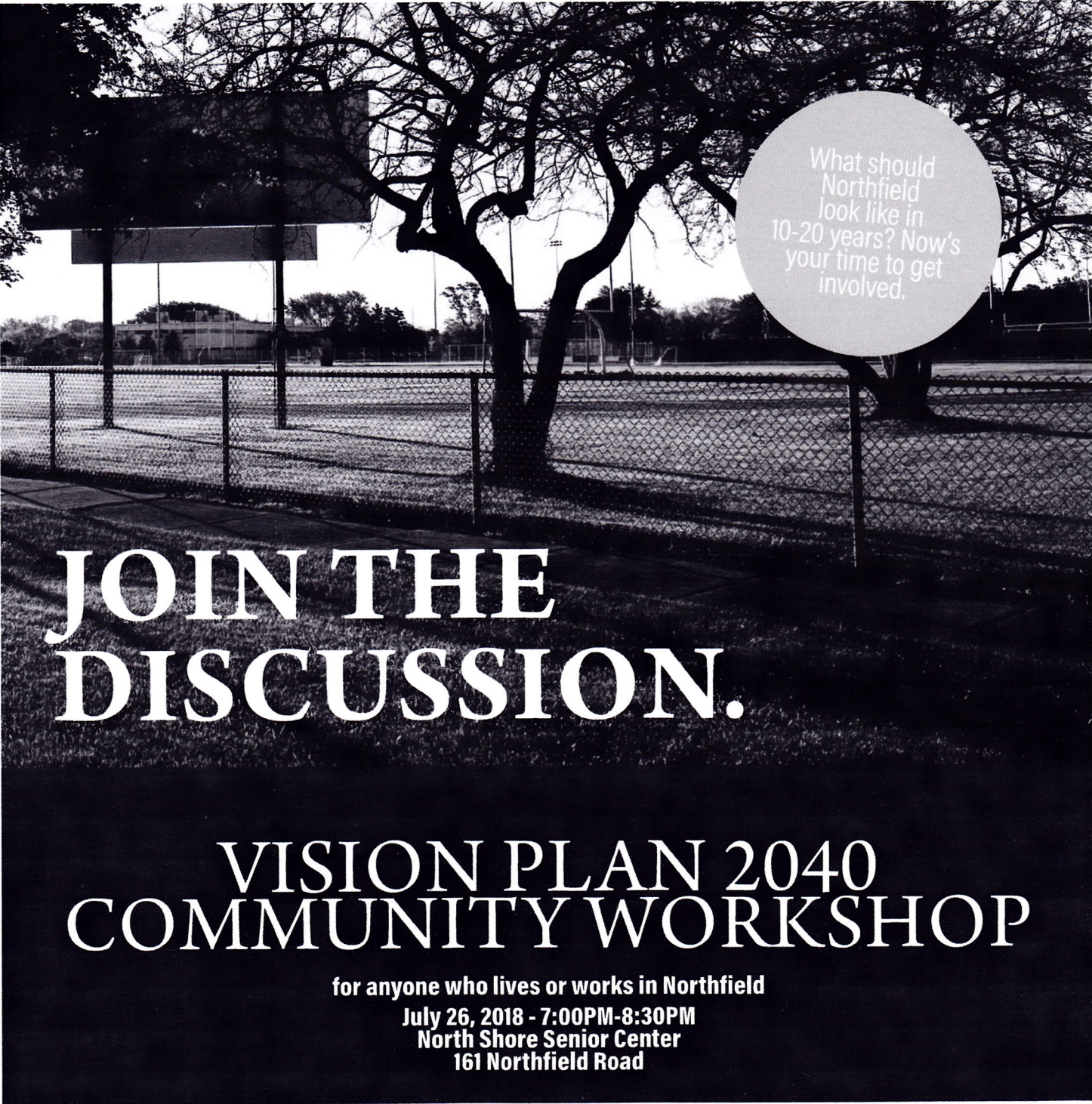
for the positions of Village trustee are invited to complete the questionnaire and return it to the Caucus. The deadline for applications to be considered for slating by the Caucus is Aug. 27.

Please consider this opportunity to be slated as a candidate for the Village Board or to recommend to the Caucus a Village resident who would be a potentially attractive candidate.

If you are interested in Caucus membership, please contact the Caucus. It also welcome any cash contributions for support of our communications through its website, mail and surveys. Email [contact@northfieldcaucus.com](mailto:contact@northfieldcaucus.com) or email P.O. Box 8034, Northfield, IL 60093.

VISIT US ONLINE AT [WINNETKACURRENT.COM](http://WINNETKACURRENT.COM)





What should  
Northfield  
look like in  
10-20 years? Now's  
your time to get  
involved.

# JOIN THE DISCUSSION.

## VISION PLAN 2040 COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

for anyone who lives or works in Northfield

July 26, 2018 - 7:00PM-8:30PM  
North Shore Senior Center  
161 Northfield Road

Now's your chance to shape the future of your community.  
Join us and be a part of the comprehensive planning process.

Can't make the workshop? Participate online.  
Visit [www.northfieldil.org](http://www.northfieldil.org)

Have a question? Contact us.  
Steve Gutierrez, Director of Community Development  
(847) 784-3550 [sgutierrez@northfieldil.org](mailto:sgutierrez@northfieldil.org)

The Village of  
**Northfield**  
Vision Plan 2040