

Zion Township Updates – 4/17/2018

UPDATES ON OFFICE OPERATIONS

- Monthly Report Attached
- LIHEAP will be ending on May 1st. Walk-ins will be seen each Tuesday from 1-3pm until then.
- Zinnias for Zion is in full bloom! Three seed companies have donated seeds to distribute: Joyful Butterfly, Applewood Seed Co and Ball Horticultural Company. Cooke Magnet School in Waukegan will be growing 20 flats for us; 223 flats have been pre-ordered with Cancer Treatment Centers and the Zion School Dist 6 ordering from another vendor. Beginning April 23rd, free seeds are being given out at Zion Township and the Zion Benton Public Library, as well as other businesses in town. www.ZinniasforZion.com
- Senior Resource Day will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 from 8:30-noon at the Zion Park District. Partners include the Zion Park District, Benton Township, The Grove at the Lake and Oak Street Health.
- Nextdoor.com is one step closer to being a comprehensive communication tool for our community. Stay tuned!
- LC Supervisor's Meeting will be at Zion Township on Wednesday, May 16th.
- Zion, Winthrop Harbor, Beach Park, Wadsworth NMIS training at Zion Township on Thursday, April 19th.
- Summer Work Program Intake with LC Job Center and ZT parent orientation, Sat., April 21.
- Swarm It Forward youth will be placing woodchips at Zion Township on Tuesday, April 24th.
- Disabilities Brainstorm Session on April 24th.
- ZBLA Alumni Association Kick-off Sat., April 28th.
- Supervisor Neal will be attending the Facilitator's Training for the Illinois Speaks Grant – Summer Movie Series: How we can be better – The aftermath of Ferguson, MO on May 11th.
- Coalition for Healthy Communities Mama's 5k Run will be on Saturday, May 12th. Info at www.Zbchc.com.

BOARD SPECIFIC ISSUES

- Still to be addressed:
 - Appreciate assistance from Trustee McDowell on determining best approach for security cameras and assistance from Trustee Fischer with computer security audit, with a target decision to be made at the April board meeting.
 - Employee Manual will be presented at May Meeting for recommended changes per consultant Rex Jones.
- Discussion on choosing Township Attorney for next fiscal year.
- Zion Township will be closed for Memorial Day Monday, May 28 and on Wednesday, April 18, 2018 from 8:30-noon for the Senior Resource Day. All trustees are encouraged to attend.
- The 2017 Annual Report is available.
- Disposal of Property including van and old computers, etc.

COMMUNITY – KEY RESOURCES

- ❖ **Abiding Love Food Pantry**
Each Wednesday from 10am til 1pm at Christian Assembly of God Church, 2929 Bethel Blvd, Zion (Closed 5th Wednesdays)
- ❖ **Zion Park District: Senior Food Pantry**
Tuesday's from 1 – 2 pm Shiloh Center, 2600 Emmaus Ave., Zion for ALL seniors
- ❖ **Mano a Mano**
Immigration legal services (citizenship, DACA, green cards renewals, TPS), Health Case Management (assistance with Medicaid, All Kids, SNAP, child support, and temporary driver's licenses). Monday – Thursday 9am – 5pm by appointment only for the Zion office 847-201-1521
- ❖ **PADS Lake County**
Night shelters are now open. Call 847-689-4357, extension #2 for additional information. A listing of the shelter site locations is available at www.padslakecounty.org.