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## Memorandum

To: Village Board of Trustees

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Cc: Department Heads  
Residents of McFarland

Date: September 17, 2019

Re: **Bi-Monthly Village Administrator Staff Report**

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### Recent Meetings Held

- September 5<sup>th</sup> – Volunteer Committee
- September 9<sup>th</sup> – Joint Village and Library Board meeting
- September 9<sup>th</sup> – Village Board
- September 10<sup>th</sup> – Public Works Committee
- September 11<sup>th</sup> – Public Safety Committee
- September 16<sup>th</sup> – Plan Commission
- September 17<sup>th</sup> – Public Utilities Committee

### Current Events

The following is a list of issues, projects, or activities that have transpired recently:

- Strategic Planning – Workshops have now been scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2019 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm and Tuesday, October 1, 2019 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Through this process we will release the results of the Community Wide Survey and Environmental Scan. We will also begin to prioritize and plan out long term goals, objectives, and priorities of the Village. The Village Board, Department Heads, and Boards/Committee/Commission Members have all been invited to participate along with the general public.

- TDS Gas Main Leak – On Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> a contractor working on behalf of TDS Telecom struck a gas lateral across the street from the Elementary School. The School was briefly evacuated as a precaution; however, the leak was contained very quickly and students were eventually let back into the school after a relatively brief disruption. The contractor was hand digging in an area where the gas main had been located. They hand dig around these areas for more precise excavation. In this instance during the hand digging process they struck a lateral which is not as reinforced as the main. All emergency protocols were followed and no major incidents to report as part of the assessment of the operations. Village Staff remains in contact with TDS about his unfortunate incident and expects them to improve their safety protocols for all involved.
- WisDOT Public Information Meeting – The Department of Transportation is going through a process to plan the future improvements of US Highway 51 from where it starts at Interstate 39/90 east of Stoughton to about Voges Road on the north end of McFarland. They have been working on this off and on over the years, and recently sent out a mailer to addresses within the study area as an update to their progress. Their intention is to update this study and complete the planning work in 2020 so that construction might commence within the next 5 or so years. They are hosting a meeting that the public is welcome to attend to learn more about this work. It is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, 2019 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at Stoughton High School. This is an open house style format with a formal presentation starting at 5:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.
- Outdoor Consumption – The Public Safety Committee has reviewed the proposed changes to the Outdoor Consumption code and has recommended their approval with one condition. That condition recommended to the Village Board that they also hold an input session to allow members of the public the opportunity to weigh in on these changes. One was held by the Committee in 2018 as part of that discussion. The proposed changes and the Committee's recommendation will go to the Village Board for consideration at their meeting on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Upcoming Schedule**

Please note the following schedule of upcoming meetings:

- September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm – Village Board
  - September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm – Communications and Technology Committee
  - September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm – Finance Committee
  - October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm – Community Development Authority
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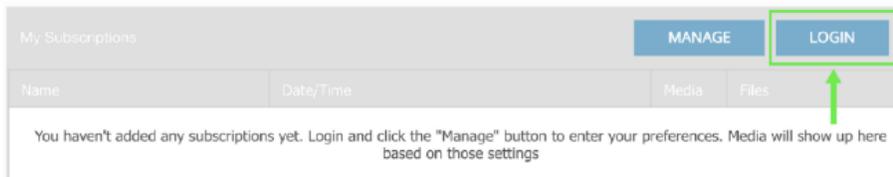
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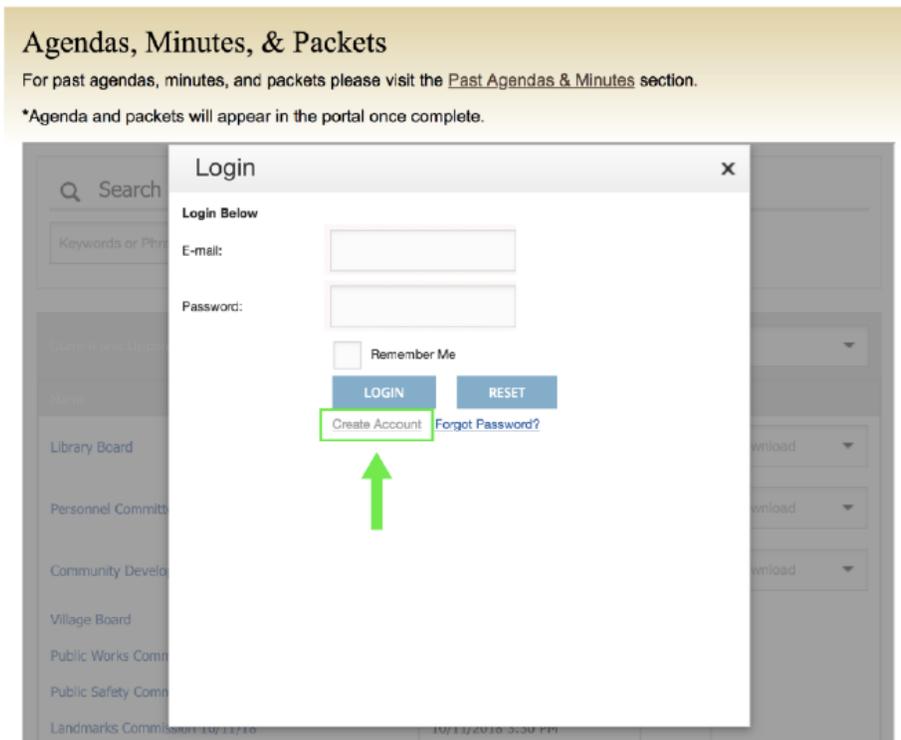
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