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Big plans in Campton Hills

First administrator set to be hired

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CAMPTON HILLS – Village President Patsy Smith expects 2014 will keep her busy.

Campton Hills' first village administrator is set to be hired Jan. 21, nearly a year after village trustees passed an ordinance regarding that position. Smith has said the duties of village administrator have largely fallen on her since the village was incorporated in 2007.

“I plan to put a press release out, but I have to finish checking references before I make the big announcement as to who we are hiring,” Smith said in an email.

Other focuses for 2014 include economic development, finalizing the codification of the village code, finalizing the personnel manual and, Smith said, doing work supported by grants.

Campton Hills received a Chicago Metropolitan Agency of Planning Local Technical Assistance grant valued at more than \$100,000 to help rewrite its zoning and subdivision ordinances, she said.

A Local Agency Functional Overlay federal grant will assist with repaving a portion of Campton Hills Road east of LaFox Road, she said.

Finally, she said, Campton Hills received a \$25,000 Cities of Service grant to help with emergency planning and training volunteers to respond in times of crisis.

“That list will certainly keep me busy next year,” Smith said.

– Ashley Sloboda

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