

Orland Park Dial-A-Ride Service Included in 2010 Budget Service to Include Two Week Day Buses

ORLAND PARK, IL – The Village of Orland Park Board of Trustees has authorized Village Manager Paul Grimes to include funding in the village’s FY 2010 Budget for the community’s PACE Dial-A-Ride Bus Program. Two buses will operate on week days beginning with the New Year, with the one way fare being \$5.00 per rider.

“I’m glad that we were able to find a way to maintain our restructured Dial-A-Ride Service for the village,” said Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin. “While it will be restructured, we will be able to continue to provide this service,” the mayor added.

“The public provided helpful insight into how important the village’s bus service is to them and the new fare and service structure is a result of the community’s input,” McLaughlin added.

“The board and I were especially concerned with the number of individuals with disabilities and seniors who rely on the village’s buses and have no other means of transportation,” McLaughlin said, adding, “That’s why we started the service in the first place.”

“For door-to-door transportation, \$5.00 each way is a very reasonable fare,” the mayor said.

The projected subsidy for the modified level of service is projected to cost approximately \$80,000 for the fiscal year. The village will pay for this service by making offsetting cost reductions in other areas of the operating budget.

The Orland Park Board of Trustees is expected to adopt the FY2010 budget at its meeting on December 7, 2009. Changes to the bus service and fares will begin January 1, 2010.