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## **Teens Elected As Leaders Of Youth Council**

Mayor Robert Callero welcomed three new elected officials during last night's (Tuesday) village board meeting.

David Romo, Ryan Litwin and Randy Anderson were elected by Niles Teen Center members as leaders of the Niles Youth Council on Thursday, Oct. 1 at a meeting of the youth council at the teen center.

Romo, a sophomore at Maine East High School, was elected president; Litwin, an eighth grader at Gemini Jr. High, was elected vice president; and Anderson, a freshman at Maine East, was elected secretary.

Teen Center Director Mark Williams said the three officers would be responsible for helping run youth council meetings held on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. where any and all teens at the center at the time meet to discuss teen center business and come up with ideas for future activities.

Additionally, Williams said the three officers would be looked at to step up and take leadership roles at the center and to help Williams on a day-to-day basis. Williams said council meetings would change later this year when he has one meeting devoted to teen center business and the other used to host a guest speaker. State Rep. Elaine Nekritz (D-57th) has already volunteered to speak.

The Niles Teen Center is located in Golf Mill mall open from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays and is run by the village.