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# WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2015

### **VILLAGE RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED BUDGET AWARD FOR 16<sup>TH</sup> CONSECUTIVE YEAR**

The Village of Glencoe has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the current budget from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement by the entity. In order to receive the budget award, the entity had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as: a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communications device. This is the 16<sup>th</sup> year that the Village of Glencoe has received this award.



### **VILLAGE ISSUING COMMUNITY SATISFACTION SURVEY**

The Village of Glencoe is issuing a community-wide survey to gain feedback about residents' satisfaction with Village services. The Village will use feedback from the survey to help identify opportunities to improve residents' satisfaction, and to help shape the Village's future budgetary and policy priorities. The Village is working with a survey consultant, ETC Institute, to complete the survey.

The survey will be delivered to all households in the Village by mail in late October, and residents will have the opportunity to complete the survey by mail or online (one response per household).

### **GLENCOE DRIVE WATER MAIN PROJECT**

Work has been underway on the project and the mainline installation is complete. Pending successful chlorination results, the new water main will be placed into service the week of October 19 and water services will be transferred over to the new water main. The Village's Water Distribution Department will work with the contractor for these transitions. Pavement and parkway restoration will follow.

## **SHERIDAN ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT**

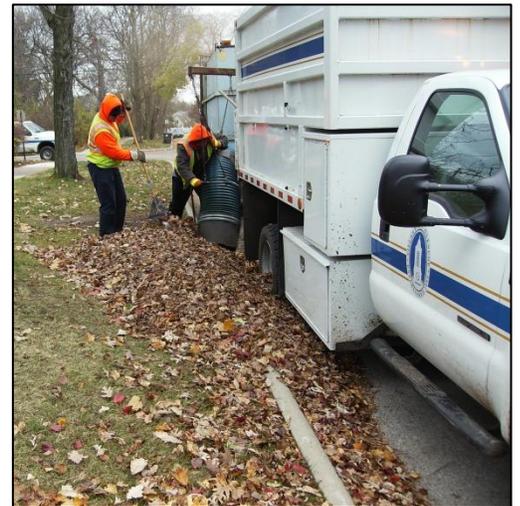
IDOT's maintenance resurfacing improvement on Sheridan Road from Lake Cook Road to Winnetka Avenue in the Villages of Glencoe and Winnetka is currently underway. Priming will occur early on Monday morning the week of October 19. As soon as temperatures rise to the appropriate level, the first layer of asphalt will be installed. This work will be done under work zone flagging. Some delays are possible during this paving operation. Manhole adjustments will begin later in the week. Residents are urged to use alternative routes and use caution in the work zone. Regular updates on the progress of the work on Sheridan Road will be posted on the Village of Glencoe website at [www.villageofglencoe.org](http://www.villageofglencoe.org).

## **PARKWAY LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM**

The Village's annual Curbside Leaf Collection Program began this week and will be offered for seven weeks. Leaves will be collected from the parkway area in all residential neighborhoods.

Residents participating in the Leaf Collection Program are asked to note the following:

- Leaves should be piled in a row along the parkway in front of your property and should not be placed in the street under any circumstance. Leaf piles in the street are a traffic hazard and can clog the storm sewer basins, resulting in street flooding. A long, low row is better than a single large pile and limits the blowing of leaves into the street or back onto the yard.
- The Village will be operating multiple parkway leaf collection crews continually during the program and anticipates passing through every neighborhood 4-5 times before the end of November. Residents are encouraged to check the Village website for an area-by-area map and estimated progress schedule. The final pass will be made the last week of November and the last day of collection will occur on November 27.
- Residents who use a landscape contractor to maintain their yard are urged to have the contractor remove leaves at the time their yard is serviced. Most residents who use landscape contractors are paying for disposal of leaves as part of their service.



Remember, use of gasoline powered leaf blowers is permitted beginning September 15 through December 15. Commercial landscape maintenance contractors may operate Monday - Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Commercial landscape maintenance contractors are prohibited from working on Sundays and holidays.

For more information or questions regarding this program, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-835-4134. Please check the Village's website at [www.villageofglencoe.org](http://www.villageofglencoe.org) periodically for Leaf Program Updates.

## **CRIME PREVENTION NOTICE - ATM ROBBERIES**

The Department of Public Safety has issued the attached Crime Prevention Notice to increase awareness of recent ATM robberies in the area and provide residents with ATM safety tips.

## **HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS**

Attached is a flyer from the Department of Public Safety with tips on Halloween safety. The Village's Halloween trick or treating hours are on Saturday, October 31 from 2:00 – 5:30 p.m.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE – OCTOBER 13**

The Finance Committee of the Village Board met on Tuesday, October 13 and discussed the Village's current financial state and determined that all Village funds are on target with the Fiscal Year 2016 budget. The Committee spent the majority of the meeting reviewing the long range financial plan, a plan developed by staff that projects revenues and expenditures through FY2021. Given the number of uncertainties with the State of Illinois and revenues they collect on our behalf and remit to the Village, as well as expected slowing in the growth of certain other revenues such as property tax and sales tax, the report projects that revenues will be outpaced by expenditures over the coming years. This will likely pose some financial challenges to the Village. In the coming months, the Finance Committee will continue to discuss the challenges this creates and create a plan for the Village's financial future.

## **PLAN COMMISSION – OCTOBER 14**

At the October 14 meeting, members of the Plan Commission continued discussion on the Downtown TuneUp planning process. Village Planner Lee Brown presented a tutorial on the purpose of planning maps and how they can be used to convey varying levels of information. Example maps from various communities were shown to illustrate the range of detail that can be shown from the macro level to the midrange level to the micro level. Mr. Brown suggested using a series of three planning maps for downtown Glencoe from each of these vantage points and examples were presented. It was emphasized that the maps were only in the draft stage and would be fine-tuned with input from the Plan Commission over the next month. Discussion of the Downtown TuneUp will continue at the next Plan Commission meeting scheduled for October 28. Stay tuned to the project website - <http://glencoetuneup.com/> - for further information and updates.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – OCTOBER 15**

The Committee of the Whole of the Village Board on October 15 prior to the Village Board Meeting and discussed with staff possible options related to

requests for extensions of building permits for residential properties. The Committee discussed possible alternatives to offer staff some flexibility to home owners experiencing situations out of their control, including defaults of builders or other unexpected occurrences. Staff will present recommended alternatives to the Village Board at an upcoming Board meeting. The Board also continued its discussion of the Village's strategic priorities.

### **VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 15**

At the October 15 Village Board Meeting, the Board received an in-depth presentation from Village Plan Commission Chair Caren Thomas on the Downtown Plan. Ms. Thomas shared the process which the Plan Commission has undertaken to review and update the existing plan which has included preparation and research, public engagement, framing issues and policy, and determining recommendations and outcomes. The Commission is now focusing on recommended policies for potential future development of the downtown and enhancements for public right-of-way in the downtown which may way-finding signage, lighting and paver enhancements.

The Board approved the date of the Village Board Meeting on December 17, 2015 as the date for the 2015 Tax Levy Public Hearing and also approved a contract for improvements to Washington Place.

Lastly, the Village Board approved an ordinance granting a special use permit for the Glencoe Historical Society to reconstruct the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Waiting Station in conjunction with the Glencoe Park District.



## **Glencoe Department of Public Safety Crime Prevention Notice**

Release Date: 10/13/2015

### **Armed Robberies at Area ATMs**

This Crime Alert is being issued due to an increase in reported ATM robberies and attempted robberies in the Chicagoland area, especially in the late evening hours.

The Glencoe Department of Public Safety reminds residents to be alert when using ATMs, including drive-thru ATMs. When using a drive-thru ATM, keep your vehicle doors locked and be aware of any subjects in the area. Whenever possible, do not use an ATM alone, and to try to use ATMs during business hours.

#### **Here are some additional ATM Safety Tips:**

- Use caution when using an ATM at night
- Use ATMs in well-lit areas and in clear view of pedestrian and vehicle traffic
- Leave your engine running and doors locked when using a drive-thru ATM
- Be aware of anyone in the area or approaching your vehicle
- If you notice suspicious activity, leave immediately and call the local police department with as many details as possible
- If the ATM is in a dark or secluded location, do NOT use the machine
- Consider taking a friend along if you are using an ATM at night
- Minimize your time spent at the ATM - Once the transaction has been completed, immediately leave the ATM premises
- If confronted by a robber, comply with all demands, and try to remember any unique identifying characteristics - Call 911 immediately

The Glencoe Department of Public Safety urges all residents to report any suspicious activity at or around ATM locations by calling 911.

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## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS



## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS FROM GLENCOE PUBLIC SAFETY

To make sure even the scariest costumes are safe, keep the following in mind;

- Try makeup instead of masks; it's more comfortable and doesn't obstruct the vision the masks can.
- Check to ensure that costumes are flame-retardant.
- Wear well-fitting shoes to avoid trips and falls.
- Avoid costumes that drag on the ground.
- Have each child carry or wear something lit, such as a flashlight, glow bracelet or necklace or flashing attire for visibility. At least one person in each group should carry a flashlight.
- Think "practical" over "cute" when picking a trick or treat goody bag or container.
- Review the route for Trick-or-Treating beforehand and set a time when kids should be home. Also, have a plan if your child gets separated from the group. A responsible adult or older teen should accompany each group.
- Only trick or treat at houses that are lit.
- Watch for traffic, obey all traffic signs, look before crossing the street, and never cross between parked cars or in the middle of the block.



### Fire Safety;

- Avoid using Halloween decorations with real flames.
- Use battery operated lights to illuminate your pumpkins.
- If you must use real candles, never leave them unattended and keep away from curtains



**TRICK OR TREATING HOURS – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2015, 2:00PM TO 5:30PM**



## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For  
October | November 2015

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1 <b>Golf Advisory Committee</b>	Monday, October 19 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
2 <b>Community Relations Forum</b>	Wednesday, October 21 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
3 <b>Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, October 28 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
4 <b>Zoning Board of Appeals</b>	Monday, November 2 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
5 <b>Historic Preservation Commission</b>	Tuesday, November 3 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
6 <b>Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, November 4 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
7 <b>Golf Advisory Committee</b>	Monday, November 16 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
8 <b>Finance Committee</b>	Tuesday, November 17 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
9 <b>Community Relations Forum</b>	Wednesday, November 18 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
10 <b>Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, November 18 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
11 <b>Committee of the Whole</b>	Thursday, November 19 5:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
12 <b>Village Board Meeting</b>	Thursday, November 19 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers