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# WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

## **VILLAGE REFERENDUM QUESTIONS APPROVED**

This week, the Village's two referendum questions were solidly approved by Glencoe voters. The \$10 million in expenditures will allow for significant improvements in Stormwater management, roadway resurfacing and other infrastructure needs including significant updates to the Village Hall's HVAC and electrical systems. In the coming weeks and months, project design will commence on the Stormwater projects, with an anticipated Stormwater and roadway construction commencement in calendar year 2016. The Village looks forward to implementing these important community improvements.

## **NEW ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER NAMED**

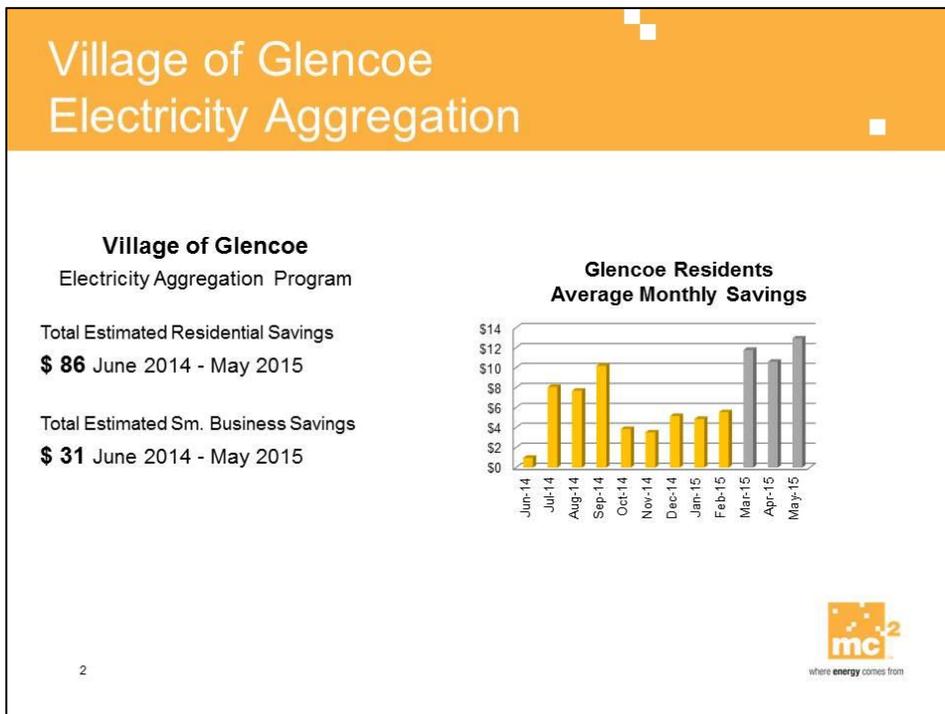
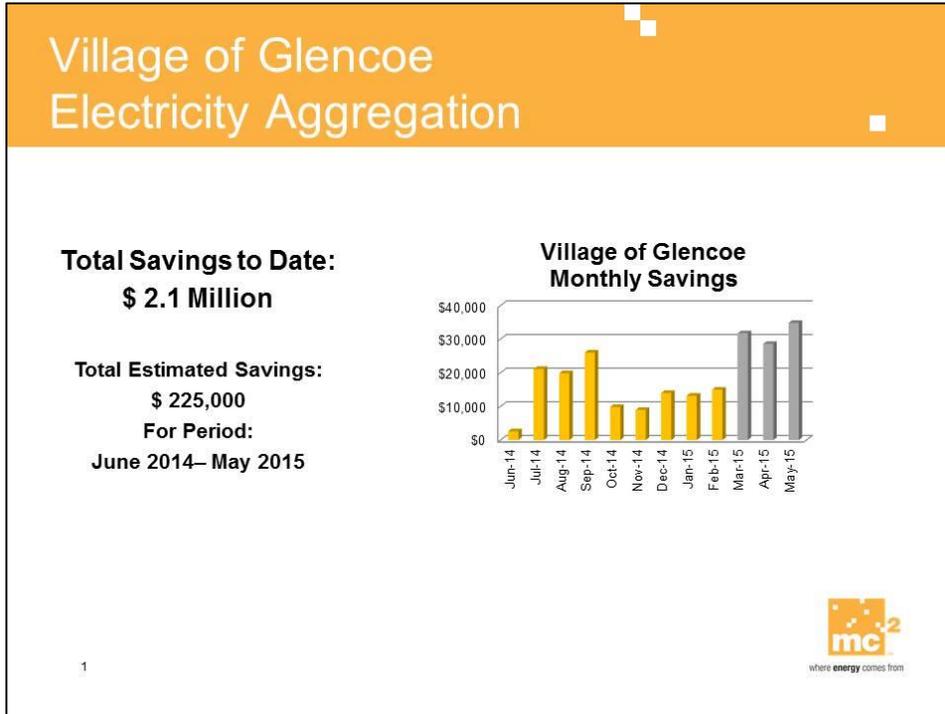
Attached, please find a Press Release regarding the appointment of Sharon Tanner as the Village's new Assistant Village Manager. Ms. Tanner is currently the Deputy Director of Public Works with the Village of Glenview. We welcome Ms. Tanner, who will begin her employment with the Village on April 27, 2015.

## **NORTH SHORE ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION CONSORTIUM UPDATE**

The attached Press Release and *Letter to Residents* were released this week to make Glencoe residents aware of coming changes to the Village's electricity aggregation program. The North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium, which includes Glencoe and other communities, has selected Integrys as the new electricity supplier and seeks to lock in a lower rate than ComEd offers in the near future, if possible. In the meantime, all residents will be moved back to ComEd following the June meter readings. If a lower rate can be achieved, all residents will be transitioned to Integrys/Constellation; if not, they will remain with ComEd.

The North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium has worked collaboratively to save participating residential and commercial customers in Glencoe a total of \$2.1 million off of Commonwealth Edison's electricity supply rates. The average customer saved \$86 on electricity against current ComEd rates in the past year.

In the current and final year of the three-year agreement with MC Squared, the Consortium secured electricity rates of 6.688 cents per kilowatt-hour (“kWh”) for June 2014 through May 2015 for residential and eligible small commercial customers. ComEd’s annualized rate for the same period will be equivalent to 7.48 cents per kWh, representing an estimated savings to customers of nearly 11%. The data below shows actual savings.



**2015 VEHICLE/ANIMAL LICENSE AND ALARM PERMIT APPLICATION UPDATE**

2015 Vehicle/Animal License and Alarm Permit Applications were mailed this week. Residents who have an application that does not need to be changed can pay to renew their licenses online. The payment link is on the Village of Glencoe website ([www.villageofglencoe.org](http://www.villageofglencoe.org)), **Online Bill Payment** button. The Village has extended the deadline for renewal to May 31, 2015.

**ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP MAY 6 & 13**

The Village will once again offer the one-day Spring Clean-Up service in May to provide an opportunity to dispose of items that are not generally included as part of the normal garbage collection service. Special refuse is considered anything other than your regular household waste (furniture, appliances, boxes, tires, etc.) but does not include hazardous waste (paint, gas, chemicals, etc.) or building material (wood, lumber, drywall, etc.) or landscape waste (trees, branches, logs, leaves, etc.). For more information, please contact the Public Works Garage at 847-835-4134.

The dates for this year's Spring Clean-Up are:

Wednesday, May 6 for Monday & Tuesday Primary Garbage Collection Days

Wednesday, May 13 for Thursday & Friday Primary Garbage Collection Days

Before placing items out for pick up, please consider donating to a worthy organization. Several local organizations will pick up your slightly used items such as building materials, home furnishings, tools, appliances, exercise equipment, clothing, electronics, etc. Visit the [Village website](#) for a list of organizations.



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

April 10, 2015

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### **VILLAGE SELECTS NEW ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER**

Glencoe Village Manager Philip Kiraly today announced the selection of Sharon Tanner as the Village's new Assistant Village Manager.

Ms. Tanner has served as the Deputy Director of Public Works for the Village of Glenview, Illinois since 2012. Prior to that, she served as Glenview's Assistant Director of Human Resources as well as Assistant to the Village Manager. Before beginning in to Glenview in 2007, Ms. Tanner was employed by the Village of Hoffman Estates. She received her Master of Public Administration in 2007 from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Saint Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri. She is a member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), Illinois City/County Management Association (ILCMA), Illinois Public Employer Labor Relations Association (IPELRA), National Public Employer Labor Relations Association (NPELRA) and the American Public Works Association (APWA).

Following former Assistant Village Manager Will Jones's departure in January 2015 to become City Administrator of Mequon, Wisconsin, the Village conducted a comprehensive, national search utilizing the professional recruiting services of Heidi Voorhees of Northbrook-based GovHR USA. Ninety-one applications from 16 states were received. An extensive interview process resulted in Ms. Tanner's selection.

The Village sought an individual who exhibits qualities consistent with the expectations of the community and organization, placing the highest emphasis on customer service and excellence in municipal service delivery. "Sharon has had an extensive background in human resource management and process improvement, among many other

excellent qualifications, all of which will address areas of need in our organization and community. She is the right person at right time for Glencoe. I couldn't be more pleased that she will be joining our team and I look forward to welcoming her as our new Assistant Village Manager," noted Village Manager Philip Kiraly.

As Assistant Village Manager, Ms. Tanner will be an integral part of the Executive Team and will be working hand-in-hand with the Village Manager and Department Heads. Further, she will be responsible for the Village's Human Resources function and ongoing communication efforts, among other day-to-day responsibilities.

Ms. Tanner is expected to begin her new responsibilities on Monday, April 27, 2015. The Village looks forward to welcoming Ms. Tanner to the Village's Executive Team as its next Assistant Village Manager!



# PRESS RELEASE

## North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium

Deerfield • Glencoe • Highland Park • Lake Bluff • Lake Forest • Northbrook • Skokie

Village of Glencoe

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Date: April 7, 2015

### Consortium to Transition to New Supply Agreements

On March 30, 2015, the Cities of Highland Park and Lake Forest and the Villages of Deerfield, Glencoe, Lake Bluff, Northbrook and Skokie (the “North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium” or “Consortium”) entered into agreements with Integrys Energy Services (soon to be consolidated into Constellation Energy Services) to provide electricity supply and services to the communities’ municipal electricity aggregation programs. With the agreements in place, the Consortium communities will monitor electricity pricing with the goal of locking in rates that will be lower than the new ComEd default rates that are expected to be announced in April.

The transition to the new agreement and pricing will require residential and small commercial accounts that are currently enrolled in the Consortium communities’ aggregation programs to return to ComEd default service rates starting in May. The return to ComEd default rate service will allow the Consortium communities the opportunity to lock in rates after the new ComEd default service rates have been announced, however a price lock with Integrys may not occur unless rates lower than ComEd are achievable.

The transition process to the new supply contract will include the following stages:

1. ComEd will send letters to all accounts currently enrolled in the Consortium communities’ municipal aggregation programs notifying them that their current supply contract is expiring and that their account will revert to the ComEd default rate starting in May, 2015;
2. If a new electricity supply price is set, the Consortium communities will send opt-out letters to all residential and small commercial accounts to provide account owners the opportunity to either participate or opt-out of the new municipal aggregation supply contract. Accounts that are enrolled in the new municipal aggregation supply contract will then receive a final letter from ComEd verifying

that the account has been enrolled into the municipal aggregation supply contract.

3. If a new rate cannot be set that is less than ComEd's default rate, customers will remain with ComEd.

Electricity supply and billing schedules will not be interrupted due to the transition. Residents should be aware that no representatives from Integrys Energy Services will be calling or visiting their homes as part of the transition process, and should exercise caution if they are asked for their ComEd account numbers by any party.

The new twenty-four (24) month agreements with Integrys Energy Services resulted from an extensive, competitive due diligence process that started in November 2014. Responses to a Request for Proposals (RFP) process from suppliers were evaluated by the Consortium's members, legal counsel, and energy consultant. The Consortium negotiated with the suppliers to gain meaningful consumer safeguards and supply standards that include affordable renewable energy options. The goal of this has always been to seek opportunities to save electricity customers money on their electric bill. The intent of the Consortium is to seek the lowest price available to residents.

The Consortium communities have all approved intergovernmental agreements that allow the Consortium to collaborate on areas other than electricity supply to gain economies of scale. The Consortium has begun evaluating the potential for future projects and new ways to use their scale to provide innovative services to our residents and businesses.



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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE VILLAGE OF GLENCOE REGARDING CHANGES TO THE VILLAGE'S ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

April 7, 2015

Attention Village of Glencoe Residents and Small Business Owners:

In 2011, Village of Glencoe voters approved a referendum authorizing the Village to engage in electricity aggregation services. In order to acquire competitive electricity supply pricing for residents and small businesses, the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium (*Consortium*) was formed. After a competitive bidding process, each Consortium community entered into a three year contract with MC Squared Energy Services which began June 2012. The contract with MC Squared Energy Services is set to expire following the May 2015 meter reading. The three year contract with MC Squared is anticipated to have saved the Village's participating customers over \$2.3 million, with total anticipated aggregate savings across all Consortium communities of \$36.5 million over the ComEd default tariff service rate.

In anticipation of the expiration of the MC Squared contract, the Consortium held a competitive bidding process in November 2014 to obtain a successor electricity aggregation contract. Constellation/Integrays Energy submitted the most competitive bid. As a result, the Cities of Highland Park and Lake Forest, and the Villages of Deerfield, Glencoe, Lake Bluff, Northbrook, and Skokie entered into a two year electricity supply contract with Constellation/Integrays Energy through May 2017.

The Consortium communities will begin obtaining market pricing for electricity in mid-April. **Residential and small business electricity supply accounts currently participating in the electricity aggregation program will be transitioned from MC Squared to ComEd beginning with the June 2015 meter reading until the Consortium communities lock in a price for electricity.** The lock in process relies on favorable electricity commodity market conditions. If pricing is unfavorable versus the ComEd default tariff service rate, the Consortium communities will not lock in a price, residents will stay with ComEd as their electricity supplier and the Consortium communities will obtain pricing at a later date should market conditions become favorable.

**In the coming weeks, electricity aggregation participants will be receiving a letter from ComEd stating that their supply account with MC Squared is being dropped and transitioned to ComEd. This transition will occur automatically and requires no action by residents or small business owners.** If the Village of Glencoe locks in a price under the new contract with Constellation/Integrays Energy, you will be receiving an opt-out letter from the Village giving you the opportunity to opt-out of the electricity aggregation program and remain with ComEd prior to the effective date of the locked-in rate.

Please note that the Consortium's electricity aggregation program allows residents and small businesses to opt-in with any Illinois Commerce Commission certified electricity supplier at any time should they choose to do so. More information can be found at [www.icc.illinois.gov/consumer/energy/information.aspx](http://www.icc.illinois.gov/consumer/energy/information.aspx). Please be aware that the Village of Glencoe

only provides support and assistance with the Consortium's electricity aggregation program through Constellation/Integrus Energy.

Should you have any questions regarding the electricity aggregation program, the upcoming transition from MC Squared to ComEd or about the new electricity aggregation contract with Constellation/Integrus Energy, please contact the Village Manager's Office at 847-835-4114 or via email at [info@villageofglencoe.org](mailto:info@villageofglencoe.org) or you can contact Constellation/Integrus Energy directly at 844-271-9636.



## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For  
April | May 2015

<b><u>MEETING</u></b>	<b><u>DATE/TIME</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>
<b>1 Zoning Board of Appeals</b>	Monday, April 13 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
<b>2 Historic Preservation</b>	Tuesday, April 14 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
<b>3 Glencoe Community Relations Forum</b>	Wednesay, April 15 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
<b>4 Finance Committee</b>	Thursday, April 16 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
<b>5 Village Board Meeting</b>	Thursday, April 16 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
<b>6 Golf Advisory Committee</b>	Monday, April 20 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
<b>7 Police Pension Fund Board</b>	Wednesday, April 22 7:00 a.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
<b>8 Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, April 29 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
<b>9 Zoning Board of Appeals</b>	Monday, May 4 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
<b>10 Historic Preservation</b>	Tuesday, May 5 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room