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WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING



FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016

FINANCE COMMITTEE - APRIL 19

The Finance Committee met on April 19 and reviewed the monthly treasurer's report for March 2016 and discussed potential changes to the format of the monthly treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - APRIL 21

At the April 21 Committee of the Whole meeting, the Village Board received an update from staff on the status of evaluating 911 dispatch consolidation. Staff presented the work completed on the project and the steps moving forward to continue evaluating consolidation options before recommending a specific consolidation option. The Board also received a presentation from staff on proposed public landscaping improvements to the overlook at the South Avenue street end. Lastly, the Board received a presentation on water management best practices including current Village efforts to support water conservation as well other methods utilized in the North Shore and throughout the United States.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING - APRIL 21

At the April 21 Village Board meeting, the Village Board approved the March 2016 treasurer's report, a contract for parkway tree planting and an ordinance authorizing the purchase of two used fairway mowers for the Glencoe Golf Club. The Village Board also approved a resolution establishing a Sustainability Task Force for the Village and the annual appropriation ordinance, which sets forth the legal maximum spending limits for the Village for the fiscal year. The Village Board approved a proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month, and April 29, 2016 as Arbor Day. For more information on this month's Village Board meeting, click [here](#).

911 DISPATCH CONSOLIDATION STUDY

Last June, a State law was passed that requires 911 dispatch agencies serving populations of fewer than 25,000 to consolidate services to ensure that each agency serves a minimum of 25,000 people by July 1, 2017. The Village and several of our neighboring communities have 911 dispatch centers that serve fewer than 25,000 people, and are therefore required to consolidate to comply with the law. The Village is working with the villages of Kenilworth, Northfield and Winnetka and a consultant to study possible consolidation options to comply with the State law. Over the next few months, staff from each community will work with the consultant to review the feasibility of several consolidation options before the Village selects a specific consolidation option. During the process of reviewing consolidation options, the Village will focus on selecting an option that maintains high-quality 911 dispatch services for our residents to continue providing first-rate public safety services to the community. The Village Board will continue to discuss 911 dispatch consolidation as the study progresses before selecting a consolidation option, and the Village will continue providing information to residents throughout the project.

SOUTH AVENUE STREET END IMPROVEMENT

At the April 21 Committee of the Whole meeting, the Village Board discussed potential landscape and hardscape improvements to the South Avenue street end. In early 2015, Village staff began meeting with representatives of the Glencoe Community Foundation, a group formed with an interest in improving access to public ways in the Village, including the South

Avenue street end. The South Avenue street end is one of seven rights-of-way maintained by the Village that primarily serve as access points for Village water and storm sewer utilities, and also provide public access to the bluff overlooks. Currently, the South Avenue street end is closed by fence to deter access to the steep slope at the end of South Avenue. The Glencoe Community Foundation expressed interest in using its private funds to help create an area where the public can view Lake Michigan from the South Avenue street end, and after several meetings, the Village obtained a conceptual site plan for potential landscape and hardscape improvements to the street end. The Village will continue seeking feedback from residents in the South Avenue area and refining the landscape and hardscape concept plan before bringing a recommendation to the Village Board for consideration in early summer.

SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE APPOINTED

At the April 21 Village Board meeting, the Village established a Sustainability Task Force. The Sustainability Task Force will work to promote the conservation of natural resources and the environment, encourage environmentally-sound and economically-viable practices for maintenance of buildings, landscape and structures within the Village, and serve as a resource for the Village Board and the community through environmental awareness programs. The Sustainability Task Force will be chaired by Hall Healy, Trustee Peter Mulvaney will serve as the Village Board liaison and vice chair, and members will include Jean Hahn from School District 25, Beth Dunn from the Chicago Botanic Garden, Dudley Onderdonk from the Glencoe Park District, Donna Craven from the Glencoe Public Library, and public-at-large representatives Lisa Fremont, Mitch Kiesler, Andrew McGrath and Scott Padiak. The Village anticipates that the task force will meet the fourth Tuesday of the month, beginning May 24, at 7 p.m. at Village Hall. Task force meetings are open to the public, and the meeting schedule will be confirmed on the Village's website.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS - VILLAGE SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

The Village will celebrate its 150th anniversary of incorporation in 2019. The Village will appoint a Sesquicentennial Committee early this summer to plan the Village's sesquicentennial commemoration. Residents who would like more information or are interested in serving on the Sesquicentennial Committee should contact the Village Manager's Office by calling (847) 835-4114 or by e-mail at info@villageofglencoe.org.

OLD GREEN BAY ROAD DETOUR BEGINS APRIL 26, 2016

On Tuesday, April 26, Old Green Bay Road between Walden and Lincoln, and Crescent Drive will be closed north of Lincoln at the bridge, and will remain closed during a manhole repair project that will last approximately three to four weeks. Area traffic will be detoured at Maple Hill Avenue and Park Avenue ([click here](#) to view the detour map on the Village website). Traffic control signage and barricades will be posted throughout the area to assist vehicular traffic in navigating the closures. The road closures will allow the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) to begin repairs on a manhole structure located on Old Green Bay Road between Walden Drive and Lincoln Drive. The majority of the construction work will take place between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. However, the MWRD's staff will be in the area 24 hours per day to ensure that equipment that is pumping sewage through a bypass around the project continues to operate during the project. As a result, residents may hear a low volume of noise from pumps and compressors that are working. Project notification and updates will be posted on the Village website and through Glencoe Connect. We appreciate your patience during this project. Please contact Public Works with any questions by calling (847) 835-4134.

Remember to please be cautious whether walking, biking or driving in a work zone!

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE

Look for regular construction updates to be posted in our weekly news briefings, as well as on the [Village's website](#). Residents in project areas can also sign up for Glencoe Connect to receive alerts via e-mail and text message. Click *Sign Up for Glencoe Connect* in the lower right corner of the Village website.

Skokie Ridge Storm Basin Improvements

Storm sewer pipe has been installed on Sunset Lane between Oak Ridge Drive and Elm Ridge Drive. Pavement restoration was completed last week and parkway restoration will be completed in the next few weeks. Work in the Skokie Ridge basin will resume in early June with the installation of new storm sewer on Dundee Road between Forest Way Drive and Bluff Road. While this work is completed, the road will be closed to through traffic and will require a full detour of Dundee Road for a few weeks during the summer months. All work on the Skokie Ridge basin is expected to be completed by early this fall.

Terrace Court Storm Basin Improvements

Storm sewer pipe installation is in progress in the Terrace Court basin area and is expected to be completed by the end of April. Curb and street restoration work is now underway in the project area and all work on this important storm improvement project is expected to be completed in May. This project includes an engineered storm water quality improvement structure where the storm sewer systems are discharging under the Union Pacific Railroad. This storm water separation structure has multiple chambers that filters debris and small trash from storm water flow and is considered a best management practice for storm water discharge.

Jefferson Street Storm Discharge Repair

A storm bypass pipe was installed at the Skokie Country Club in early April. The pipe will improve water drainage that comes from the Jefferson Street and Grove Street intersection.

Sheridan Road Maintenance Resurfacing

Work resumed in February on IDOT's Sheridan Road resurfacing project. Storm sewer and utility work is underway this week and next week in the ravine at the north end of Winnetka. Motorists are encouraged to watch the message board for daytime closures and detours. Work remaining in Glencoe includes right-of-way restoration north of Aspen Lane and the completion of pavement markings and signage for the new bike lane. This project will be completed this spring.

Traffic control is posted in each area restricting vehicular traffic to local traffic only during the daytime. Remember to please be cautious whether walking, biking or driving in a work zone!

2016 VEHICLE / ANIMAL LICENSES AND ALARM PERMITS DUE BY MAY 1, 2016

Purchase your stickers before May 1

Applications have been sent for annual vehicle/animal license and alarm permit renewals. If the form is incomplete or inaccurate, please make the necessary corrections before returning the form. If you have not received an application, please contact the Finance Department at (847) 835-4113. If there are no changes to the form, payments can be made at www.villageofglencoe.org. Applications with corrections must be returned to the Village with payment. *As a reminder: the new due date for vehicle license compliance is May 1, rather than April 15, as it had been in the past.*



The Village Board approved the increase of pet license fees from \$10.00 to \$20.00. The increase covers the cost of administering animal control services and is in line with the average fee for pet licenses in surrounding communities. Vehicle licenses and alarm permit renewal fees remain at \$50.00 and \$25.00 for seniors. This year's sticker celebrates the Friends of the Green Bay Trail. The Public Safety Department will begin license enforcement on **May 1, 2016**. Village Ordinance requires that licenses be displayed and properly affixed to the passenger-side windshield. If you have questions about enforcement, please contact the Public Safety Department at (847) 835-4112.

ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING AT SOUTH SCHOOL



On Friday, April 29 at 2:00 p.m., the Village and Glencoe District 25 will be planting a swamp white oak tree at South School, 266 Linden Avenue, in honor of Arbor Day. In Glencoe, this native tree has 100 to 150 year-old specimens commonly found in our residential neighborhoods. The history of Arbor Day dates to January 4, 1872 when J. Sterling Morton first proposed a tree-planting holiday to the State of Nebraska Board of Agriculture. Arbor Day was officially proclaimed by the Nebraska Governor for observance on

April 8, 1874. The following year it became a legal holiday in Nebraska. Today state observances of Arbor Day around the country occur on the last Friday in April annually.

Glencoe has yearly met the requirements to be a designated Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation since 1984. The Village has had a parkway tree planting program for over 40 years and has worked carefully to achieve a sustainable and diverse urban forest at a time when many other communities have had visible loss of entire residential blocks of diseased elm (Dutch Elm Disease) and ash (Emerald Ash Borer) trees. In 2009 the Society of Municipal Arborists (SMA) branch of the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) accredited the Village of Glencoe's Forestry Division, the highest honor for municipal forestry programs.

PUBLIC WORKS ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP DAYS

The Village will once again offer a one-day Spring Clean-Up service to provide an opportunity to dispose of items that are not generally included in 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 Department at (847) 835-4134.

The dates for this year's Spring Clean-Up are **Wednesday, May 4** for Monday and Tuesday primary garbage collection days, and **Wednesday, May 11** for Thursday and Friday primary garbage collection days.

Before placing items out for pick up, please consider donating to a worthy organization. More information on places to donate can be found [on the Village website](#).

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH FRIENDS OF THE GREEN BAY TRAIL

Celebrate Earth Day on the Trail from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 23. Be a part of the change! Join the Friends of the Green Bay Trail at the Lake Cook entrance to the trail. Volunteers of all ages are invited to join us to do spring cleaning on the trail. Bring work gloves. Parking is available on the west side of Braeside Train Station, east of Green Bay Road. Cross Lake Cook and find us on the east side of the railroad tracks.



GREEN BAY TRAIL REPLANTING

Over the winter, the Village removed more than 200 dead or diseased trees along the southern most section of the Green Bay Trail between Harbor Street and Scott Avenue. Of the trees removed, 170 were dead ash trees as a result of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestation. While the removal of dead or diseased trees diminishes the tree canopy, removal is necessary for public safety of users of the Green Bay Trail and neighboring homes, and long-term maintenance of the Village's urban forest. During the tree removal process, the Village completed minor drainage improvements to reduce standing water along the trail.



The Village is planning an extensive tree-replanting program along this portion of the Green Bay Trail, focusing on planting new native trees over the next four year. To do so, the Village is partnering with the Friends of the Green Bay Trail (FGBT), a non-profit organization has been actively working on maintaining this segment of the trail for the last five years. The Village and FGBT partnered to select eight species of native trees that will help maintain the diversity and sustainability of the Village's urban forest as a Tree City USA.

The FGBT is promoting a new program that will allow residents to donate trees to plant on the Green Bay Trail. Through fall 2016, residents are invited to donate to Trees for the Trail, which will allow residents to

donate trees and pay for 50 percent of the cost of a tree, and the Village will pay for 50 percent of the cost of a tree (similar to the Village's 50/50 parkway tree planting program). This program will allow residents who wish to donate to the program to have their tree donation indicated with their name, or the name of someone who a resident wishes to honor or remember. Residents who wish to participate should fill out a Trees for the Trail order form, and submit the order form along with payment to the resident services counter located in Village Hall. Plantings will be completed in the spring or fall planting period at locations determined by the Village and the FG&T.

Residents are encouraged to visit the Village's website at www.villageofglencoe.org for further information and Trees for the Trail order forms. Questions on the program can be directed to the Public Works Department by calling (847) 835-4111.

NORTHSHORE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM FREE EVENT

NorthShore Kellogg Cancer Center is offering free oral health cancer screenings on Sunday, April 24. [Please see the flyer for details.](#)



VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For
April | May 2016

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1 Public Safety Commission	Monday, April 25 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
2 Police Pension Fund Board	Wednesday, April 27 7:00 a.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
3 Plan Commission	Wednesday, April 27 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
4 Zoning Board of Appeals	Monday, May 2 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
5 Historic Preservation Commission	Tuesday, May 3 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
6 Golf Advisory Committee	Monday, May 16 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
7 Finance Committee	Tuesday, May 17 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
8 Committee of the Whole	Thursday, May 19 5:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
9 Village Board Meeting	Thursday, May 19 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers