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# WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING



## FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2016

### FINANCE COMMITTEE - AUGUST 16

The Finance Committee met on August 16 and reviewed the Village's financial activity for the month of July. Similar to June, state income tax received was higher than budgeted and building permit revenue was lower than budgeted, but overall all funds are on target with the budget. The Committee also reviewed the Village's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and discussed assumptions for the long range financial forecast through Fiscal Year 2022, which includes projections on revenues and expenditures over the next five years.

The Finance Committee will next meet on Tuesday, September 13.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - AUGUST 18

At the August 18 Committee of the Whole meeting, the Board continued its discussion of State-mandated 9-1-1 dispatch consolidation which was first discussed at the April Committee of the Whole. At this week's meeting, the Board heard a presentation from staff outlining a consultant study, completed by the Matrix Group, which following a comprehensive process to determine and vet options, laid out recommendations to comply with State-mandated consolidation of our 9-1-1 dispatching operations. Legislation that went into effect in 2015 (Public Act 99-066) mandated that communities that provide emergency dispatching operations for populations of fewer than 25,000 would be required to develop plans to consolidate with other entities and would be required to do so by July 1, 2017. The report that was presented at the Committee of the Whole outlined the combined efforts of the Villages of Glencoe, Kenilworth, Northfield and Winnetka to seek options together. Ultimately, the options that were explored and vetted by the group's consultant were:

1. Developing a consolidated dispatch center with the four partner communities; or,
2. Contracting for dispatching services with the Village of Glenview, a community that provides this service to a number of communities in and around the North Shore.

Both options anticipated no longer having dispatch staff operate in the Village Hall 24 hours a day.

Following discussion, the Village Board concurred with both the consultant's and staff's recommendation that Glencoe proceed with negotiations with the Village of Glenview to provide emergency dispatching services for the Village of Glencoe. The recommendation cited that the primary focus for the community - expedient public safety service response, maintenance of highly qualified professional dispatchers, and ensuring excellent service at the most reasonable cost - were met by the service provided by the Village of Glenview. The Village Board reiterated the necessity that a contract would ensure Glencoe retains the high standard of service our residents have come to expect, and that all dispatch-related efforts be focused on timely and accurate public safety responses.

Staff will report back to the Village Board this fall on the status of negotiations, as well as to provide recommendations for discussion on how to manage Village Hall hours, customer service interactions after normal business hours, and a host of other administrative items.

Click [here](#) for more information on this topic.

The next meeting of the Committee of the Whole will take place on September 15.

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES - AUGUST 18**

At the August 18 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board heard a presentation from the Village's Auditor, Lauterbach & Amen reporting that the Village's recently completed audit for the fiscal year ended February 29, 2016 (FY2016) received an *unqualified* or "clean" rating, their highest rating regarding accuracy in financial reporting. The audit, or Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), is available on the Village's website at [www.villageofglencoe.org/departments/finance/reports.aspx](http://www.villageofglencoe.org/departments/finance/reports.aspx).



Also, Michael Talend (pictured at right) was sworn in as the Public Safety Department's newest Lieutenant. Congratulations to Lt. Talend!

In addition to the above items, the Board approved the following agenda items:

- Consideration of an ordinance granting preliminary and final subdivision plat approval for the Koltin consolidation (834 and 846 Greenwood Avenue)
- Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Village Manager to execute a contract for the purchase of one 13-foot stainless steel dump body from Monroe Truck Equipment of Monroe, Wisconsin for a total no-to-exceed cost of \$20,631.
- Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Village Manager to execute an engineering services agreement with Daniel Creaney Company of Northbrook, IL for storm sewer outfall and ravine restoration improvements for a not-to-exceed cost of \$53,900.
- Consideration of a resolution authorizing the Village Manager to execute a three-year collective bargaining agreement between the Village and AFSCME Local 2324 for the period of March 1, 2016 to February 28, 2019.

The next meeting of the Village Board will take place on September 15.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY CRIME NOTICE**

Throughout the summer months, several residents in Glencoe and other communities in the North Shore area have been victims of car theft. Thieves target vehicles which are left unlocked and vehicles that have valuables left in the vehicle in open sight. Stolen vehicles have been recovered in Chicago, and in some cases, the stolen vehicles were used in the commission of other serious crimes or involved in police vehicle pursuits and crashes outside of Glencoe.

**Vehicle theft is often a crime of opportunity - 8 of the 11 vehicles stolen in Glencoe in the past year were stolen because they were left unlocked and with the keys in the vehicle.** The Public Safety Department asks for residents' help in preventing vehicle theft by locking unattended vehicles at all times, closing and locking garage doors, and keeping valuables out of sight.

Earlier this week, the Public Safety Department received a report of an attempted armed robbery in downtown Glencoe with the use of a stun gun. The suspect was promptly located

and arrested. The Public Safety Department has not received any similar reports, and this week's incident appears to be isolated and unrelated to other criminal activity.

The Wilmette Police Department is investigating an attempted armed robbery/carjacking that occurred Monday, August 15 in a residential driveway in Wilmette. The offenders in the Wilmette case allegedly confronted a woman in a residential driveway with a gun, and demanded her purse and keys to her vehicle. The offenders reportedly fled into a waiting car when the woman screamed.

The Wilmette and Glencoe incidents that occurred this week are unrelated; however, it is important for residents to maintain awareness of their surroundings, exercise normal safety precautions to maintain personal safety and to prevent theft of valuables, including vehicles. **The Public Safety Department urges residents to call 9-1-1 to report any suspicious activity or to request assistance.**

### **SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SCHEDULED**

A special workshop meeting of the Board of Trustees has been scheduled for **Wednesday, August 31 at 5:30 p.m.** to hear a presentation by Plan Commission Chair Caren Thomas and Village Planner Lee Brown on the Plan Commission's recently completed Downtown Plan (the Downtown TuneUp) and to allow the Board to discuss the findings of the Plan Commission in its over two years of study and review.

Information, including a meeting agenda, will be made available on the Village's website early next week. The public is invited to attend.

### **GLENCOE GOLF CLUB HOSTS SENIOR OPEN**

The Glencoe Golf Club hosted its annual Senior Open on Wednesday, August 17. Competitors were challenged with 6,000 yards of golf for 18-holes of stroke play competing in both a gross and a net handicap division. This year, a super senior division for competitors 70 years and older was added to split up the 36 player field.

The Senior Open gross winner was Ray Lee (pictured on the left in picture) who made five birdies in a row and scored a 71, one under par, to win. Dan Labelle (pictured on the right in picture) shot a 76 to take home first place in the gross Super Senior division. Congratulations to both of the winners!



The next competitive event is the Glencoe Open, a 36-hole cumulative event open to all ages, scheduled for September 17 and 18. For more information and to register for the event, go to [www.glencoegolfclub.com](http://www.glencoegolfclub.com).

## GLENCOE FRENCH MARKET



**Don't miss out on the last weeks of the Glencoe French Market!** The Market takes place Saturdays through September 3 on Wyman Green from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Vendors feature produce, meats, eggs, cheeses, flowers and an assortment of artisan goods. Enjoy live music in a beautiful setting in downtown Glencoe! For more information, please visit [www.bensidounusa.com](http://www.bensidounusa.com). The Glencoe French Market is sponsored by the

Glencoe Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Village of Glencoe and the Glencoe Park District.

## SKUNK PREVENTION AND SOLUTIONS

Skunks are particularly active during the late summer months in the Chicagoland region and residents may encounter skunks on their property living under porches, decks, sheds, outbuildings or foundations. Please be advised that residents are not permitted to trap and/or kill skunks without a license issued by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the Village's animal control will only remove wildlife if they are located within the living space of your home. Residents should contact a wildlife removal expert if they experience problems or concerns with nuisance skunks or other wildlife on or around their property. For a complete listing of qualified wildlife removal operators, and how to solve a problem with wildlife in your home, click [here](#).

## BUTTERFLY HATCHERY TOUR AND FAMILY ACTIVITIES

The Friends of the Green Bay Trail will be hosting a butterfly hatchery tour and other family activities on Saturday, August 20. Click [here](#) to learn more about this event.

## COST-SHARING TREE PLANTING PROGRAMS

With the fall tree planting season quickly approaching, the Village would like to remind residents of two 50/50 cost-sharing tree planting programs. This program gives residents the opportunity to purchase a tree for the parkway in front of their home, and the Village will pay 50% of the cost. If there is not room for a tree on a resident's parkway, the Village also accepts donated trees to be planted in other parkways selected by the Village arborist.

In addition, residents may also choose to donate trees to be planted on the southern-most section of the Green Bay Trail where more than 200 dead or diseased ash trees were removed last winter. As part of the Village's extensive three-year re-planting program for this area, the Village will pay for 50% of any tree that is donated to the trail between Harbor Street and Scott Avenue. The Village has partnered on this project with the Friends of the Green Bay Trail, a local non-profit organization that has been actively working on maintaining this segment of the trail for the last five years.

To place your order for the fall tree planting season, please click [here](#).

### **SMART THERMOSTAT INITIATIVE**

As of June 1, residents across northern Illinois are eligible for rebates of up to \$175 on eight different smart thermostats. Smart thermostats are WiFi-enabled devices that connect with an app on your smart phone or tablet allowing you to monitor and control the heating and cooling in your house. Residents must meet the following criteria in order to qualify for a rebate:

- You must be a ComEd, Nicor Gas, Peoples Gas or North Shore Gas customer.
- You must select a qualifying smart thermostat.
- You must purchase, install and register the smart thermostat between March 1, 2016 and May 31, 2017.
- You must have a working WiFi connection in your home.
- You must have a compatible central air conditioner, heat pump and/or electric heating system.

To apply for the rebate, please click [here](#).

### **COMED TREE TRIMMING**

Trees and branches that interfere with power lines can create safety hazards and cause power outages. Preventative tree maintenance helps avoid power outages. Throughout the next three months, ComEd will trim trees, branches and vines in Glencoe that interfere or have the potential to interfere with power lines. All work is performed by ComEd's trained vegetation management crews and contractors. This program is separate from the Village's cyclic tree trimming program. For more information visit [www.comed.com/trees](http://www.comed.com/trees) or call ComEd at 1-800-Edison-1.



## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For  
August - September 2016

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1 Public Safety Commission	Tuesday, August 23 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
2 Sustainability Task Force	Tuesday, August 23 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chamber
3 Village Board Workshop Meeting	Wednesday, August 31 5:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
4 Historic Preservation Commission	Tuesday, September 6 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
5 Finance Committee	Tuesday, September 13 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
6 Committee of the Whole	Thursday, September 15 5:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
7 Village Board of Trustees	Thursday, September 15 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chamber
8 Golf Advisory Committee	Monday, September 19 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
9 Plan Commission	Wednesday, September 28 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chamber