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# WEEKLY NEWS BRIEFING

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2015

### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Last night, the Committee of the Whole discussed several ordinances that will be placed on the Village Board meeting agenda in September, included ordinances related to significant modifications to the Village's liquor code, modifications to lawn sprinkling restrictions and replacement water fixtures in the Village as required to comply with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources regulations, and private swimming pool pumping water discharge. The Board also discussed an upcoming recycling services RFP that the Village is issuing with the Village of Winnetka. This joint effort will seek to provide lower, more competitive rates for recycling collection to residents of both communities by aggregating residents from both communities. The RFP is expected to be released soon, and both communities' Village Boards will consider the results of the bidding process later this fall.

A significant portion of the discussion focused on the Village's upcoming resident satisfaction survey that will be distributed to all households in Glencoe in September. This survey seeks to gain valuable insight into residents' level of satisfaction in Village services to help guide service level discussions of the Village Board and staff.

Modifications to the Village's liquor code have been discussed by the Village Board in Committee of the Whole through this summer. This is the most comprehensive review of the liquor code undertaken in many years, and is intended to update, simplify and streamline the licensing process, both for the Village and for liquor license holders. The Village Board will consider these modifications at their regularly scheduled meeting on September 17. In advance of that time, staff is developing a comprehensive webpage on the Village's website related to the liquor code update.

### **CIBO LIQUOR LICENSE ACTION TAKEN BY VILLAGE BOARD**

On Thursday, the Village Board considered an Ordinance that would make available a license regarding the request by Cibo Trattoria, LLC for a Class C-4 license. A presentation made by the Village President, in his capacity as Liquor Commissioner, outlined the process he used for review of the application. He explained that his findings were, that despite several felony convictions of one of the Cibo Trattoria partners Richard Raschillo, he believed that there was sufficient rehabilitation of Mr. Raschillo to warrant granting a liquor license. He did note however, that he did not

believe it appropriate at this time to grant a permanent liquor license, but rather a short term license that would expire on February 29, 2016, and would require reapplication at that time to determine proper compliance with Village regulations. He recommended that the Village Board consider a modification to the Ordinance that was before them that would grant this short term license with a number of conditions. The Village Board considered and ultimately unanimously approved the recommended modifications that created one class C-4A liquor license to grant to Cibo Trattoria.

Following last night's Board action, staff and the Village Attorney are beginning to process the license and are working toward issuance as soon as possible following compliance with the conditions of the license by Cibo Trattoria.

### **CAFR PRESENTED TO VILLAGE BOARD**

As required by Illinois law, the Village's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), more commonly referred to as the Village's Audit, was presented by the Village's Auditor, Ron Amen of the Firm Lauterbach and Amen, to the Village Board at their regular meeting this week. Mr. Amen reported that it was his opinion that the CAFR fairly presents the financial condition of the Village as of February 28, 2015 and is in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. He noted that the CAFR includes the "unqualified opinion" of the auditor. This designation of "unqualified opinion" is the best opinion possible. He congratulated the Village Board on a very positive audit process and outcome and highlighted the ending fund balances of the various funds of the Village; explained the points noted in the Management Letter; and, reiterated the process used by his firm to conduct the audit. It was noted that last year, the Village received its 29th consecutive Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association – one of its highest honors - a designation that he expected would continue with the most recent audit. To review the Village's CAFR, please visit [www.villageofglencoe.org/departments/finance/reports.aspx](http://www.villageofglencoe.org/departments/finance/reports.aspx).

### **THE GLENCOE FARMERS MARKET NEEDS YOU!**

As reported in the last Glencoe Quarterly, and as you likely have noticed, the Farmers Market has been on hiatus this year, a decision made by the Chamber of Commerce Board, in consultation with Village staff, recognizing that the current model was in need of a "TuneUp". In order to receive feedback from residents, an online Farmers Market survey was created in June, and was available at [www.glencoetuneup.com](http://www.glencoetuneup.com), in order to better understand: Whether there was community interest in continuing the market; What day/time was preferred; and What items are most desired. The complete survey results, to date, are available for viewing at [www.glencoetuneup.com](http://www.glencoetuneup.com). Here is a quick summary:

- Nearly half of all respondents attend a few times during the season; a quarter attend weekly;
- Primary issues noted include the market being too small/too few vendors; other area markets provide more variety in types of goods; and the location not visible or ideal;
- Respondents were overwhelmingly positive in terms of supporting an improved market;
- Saturday morning is the preferred day and time; and
- Most desired items include fresh produce, followed by flowers/plants, eggs/cheese/meat, and baked goods.

The next step is to form a Farmers Market steering committee comprised of volunteers interested in working together to envision a new, improved market that is uniquely Glencoe. This approach is a change from past practice of contracting with an outside manager to run the market. If you are interested in serving on the steering committee, please contact Planning & Development Administrator Nathan Parch at 847-835-4111 or [nathanp@villageofglencoe.org](mailto:nathanp@villageofglencoe.org).



## VILLAGE OF GLENCOE MEETING BULLETIN

Meetings Scheduled For  
August | September 2015

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1 <b>Public Safety Commission</b>	Tuesday, August 25 6:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
2 <b>Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, August 26 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
3 <b>Historic Preservation Commission</b>	Tuesday, September 1 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
4 <b>Plan Commission</b>	Wednesday, September 9 7:30 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
5 <b>Finance Committee</b>	Wednesday, September 16 7:30 a.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
6 <b>Community Relations Forum</b>	Wednesday, September 16 6:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
7 <b>Committee of the Whole</b>	Thursday, September 17 5:30 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room
8 <b>Village Board Meeting</b>	Thursday, September 17 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Council Chambers
9 <b>Golf Advisory Committee</b>	Monday, September 21 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall Conference Room