

APPROVED

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2015 WATTS ADVISORY GROUP MEETING
GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT
WATTS ICE CENTER, 305 RANDOLPH STREET, GLENCOE, ILLINOIS 60022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and roll was called.

Members present: Commissioner Seth Palatnik , Commissioner Steve Gaines, Hilary Lee, Steve Norhad - Members absent: Michael Glass, Patty Talbot, Jack Weinberg - Staff present: David Johnson, Watts and Beach Facility Manager; Dave Figgins, Director of Recreation and Facilities - Members of the public present: Eric Dinkins

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes of the May 5, 2015 Watts Advisory Group Meeting was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Summary of Recommendations for 2015-2016 Season: A report was circulated detailing 2015-2016 season rates for season ice passes, ice rental, and daily admission. A concern was raised regarding the increase in daily admission fee for adults. It was recommended that the daily admission fees not be raised as a show of good will toward residents. However, it was further recommended that a non-resident fee be established for daily admission. The ice rental rate increase was deemed adequate. A recommendation was made for staff to explore the possibility of offering a combination Glencoe Beach and Watts Ice Center Season Pass.

Watts Brochure Information: The Watts Classic Men's Hockey Tournament was presented. Group members questioned marketing and goal of the tournament, as well as sponsorship opportunities. The need to market full facility rentals was discussed. David Johnson described the Holiday Hockey Clinic. It was suggested to offer a 3 on 3 format and secure coaches from other rinks. The justification for moving the starting time of Saturday morning skating lessons was discussed and deemed appropriate. It was suggested that if some skating classes do not run to offer open skate in its place.

Planned Facility Improvements: A list of planned facility improvements for the 2015-2016 season was distributed. It was questioned whether a temporary sun shield could be installed to eliminate melting on the main rink's north end near season end. The lack of heat in the scoreboard and the condition of the scoreboard were discussed.

Marketing Efforts: A list of Marketing Efforts for the 2015-2016 season was distributed.

Other: Steve Norhad brought up the possibility of a 2016 Disc Golf event at Watts Park.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Lushniak, Director of Recreation and Facilities
Created by Dave Figgins