

**GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT
999 Green Bay Road
Glencoe, Illinois 60022**

**CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE
6:30 pm.
Tuesday, July 19, 2011**

Roll Call. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p. m. Present were Committee members Hilary Lee (Chair) and Trent Cornell. Also present were Max Retsky and Andre Lerman. Staff present included Executive Director/Secretary Don Van Arsdale, Director of Parks Rick Bold, Director of Finance/Human Resources Carol Mensinger, Director of Operations Steve Nagle, Director of Recreation Cheryl DeClerck, and Executive Assistant Nancy Symonds.

Matters from the Public. There was no one present wishing to Committee.

Discussion of Centennial Plans Executive Director/Secretary Van Arsdale indicated a staff committee has reviewed the District's 75th Anniversary plans to get ideas for the District's Centennial Celebration in 2012. A calendar of events is being proposed which would enhance current District programs, like the Winter Carnival and 4th of July events, and add new one time activities, like a Polar Bear Plunge in Lake Michigan and have more long term activities also take place, i.e. planting a community garden, naming a park, etc. Mr. Van Arsdale indicated he has approached the Human Relations forum for the Village of Glencoe with regard to having the District be the subject for the 2012 Village vehicles stickers with a theme of "parks and recreation." The winning sticker design is selected from posters which are submitted by Glencoe school children with a contest to be held in the fall.

Discussion ensued. In reference to the Glencoe "Bike Bonanza" event, Commissioner Lee mentioned the Glencoe PTO sponsors a Grand Prix race and maybe this could be included as part of this event. President Cornell indicated he thought Family Service of Glencoe was celebrating its centennial in 2012 also. Mr. Van Arsdale indicated he would contact these organizations about their plans.

Mr. Van Arsdale indicated the 4th of July Celebration may be enhanced with more fireworks, a District float in the parade, and examples of games which were played one hundred years ago.

President Cornell said this would be a opportunity to connect with residents and businesses for fundraising efforts.

Commissioner Retsky mentioned an idea would be to purchase a brick for a park or in a previously unnamed park.

Mr. Van Arsdale continued by stating representatives from the Glencoe Historical Society have been contacted about having the hundred year history of the District displayed at the

museum for the upcoming year. He thought this could be a traveling show so it could be displayed at various venues in the Village.

To a question from Commissioner Retsky, Director of Finance/Human Resources Mensinger indicated in the current fiscal year 2011/2012 budget there some funds available for Centennial Celebration promotions or special events; those items which will be done early in 2012 and not in the next fiscal year. Funds for the next fiscal year, 2012/2013 will be discussed as the budget process goes forward.

President Cornell indicated he would like to have fewer, better activities rather than lots of events or promotions.

Executive Director/Secretary Van Arsdale indicated the celebration year could conclude with a gala fundraising dinner; we need to decide the format. He thought any funds raised could be used for the District's C.A.R.E. program scholarship program. Mr. Van Arsdale stated he is looking for significant Board involvement with the Gala event.

President Cornell said Commissioner Lee and he can approach people or businesses for donation and/or fundraising opportunities.

Other There was no further business for the Committee.

Adjourn With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 on a motion from President Cornell and a second from Commissioner Lee.

Respectfully submitted,



Donald P. Van Arsdale
Secretary