

MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021 GLENCOE BEACH AND
LAKEFRONT ADVISORY GROUP MEETING - GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT
VIA ZOOM

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Chair Lutton and roll was called.

Members in Attendance: Josh Lutton (Chair), Andre Lerman, Linda Semel (7:05pm)
Eileen Sirkin, Larry Smith, Jon Ruderman, Steve Varick,

Absent: Lisa Brooks, Dudley Onderdonk, John Satter,

Staff in Attendance: Executive Director Lisa Shepard, Director of Recreation and
Facilities Bobby Collins, Director of Parks and Maintenance Chris Leiner, Beach
Manager Matt Walker

Public in Attendance: Janet Lerman, Lou Harrison, Brandon Hinkle

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Member Varick to approve the minutes of
the December 10, 2019 Lakefront Advisory Group Meeting. Member Smith seconded
the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote. No further discussion ensued.

2020 Beach Report Review: Manager Walker and Director Collins reviewed the
performance and operation of the Glencoe Swimming and Boating Beach during the
2020 season, including staffing levels, beach training, the annual PDRMA audit,
revenue collection, water testing procedures, and beach programming.

Member Lerman expressed his gratitude, along with other members, towards Park
District staff for a job well done. Director Collins addressed the group about how the
upcoming beach season may look concerning COVID guidelines or non-COVID
guidelines. Discussion ensued about season pass sales and daily admissions.
Members recommended that future decisions be consistent throughout the season and
largely depend on the restrictions in place due to COVID-19.

Director Collins talked about the intergovernmental pool/beach agreement with the
Northbrook Park District and if members felt we should continue with the agreement
moving forward. Member Varick was in favor of the agreement, but also recognized it
should only be offered if both facilities were operating.

Member Smith expressed concern about density on the beach and feels the number of people on the beach needs to be closely monitored and suggested developing a density plan. Director Collins asked for feedback around when lifeguards should start for the season. There was consensus to guard the beach as soon as possible within the limitations of COVID.

Operational Planning Discussion: Director Leiner presented multiple capital projects slated for the beach facility with projected \$1.6 million expenditures. Director Leiner informed the group of possible timelines for the various projects and potential impacts to the beach operation during the summer. Member Smith voiced his concern about removing equipment at the end of the season.

Advisory Group Feedback: Member Lerman thanked all advisory and Park District staff members for continuing the Beach Advisory Group. Member Smith appreciated being allowed to weigh in on the decisions being made for the upcoming beach season.

Matters from the Public: Janet Lerman complimented the beach staff across the board for their continued assistance over the summer. Lou Harrison expressed his thanks for the staff's hard work and dedication to make it a great season.

Other: None

Adjourn: Member Sirkin moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:33pm. Member Varick seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by,

Bobby Collins
Director of Recreation and Facilities