Village of Glencoe Community Relations Forum

Meeting Notes January 21, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Glencoe Human Relations Forum, held in the Village Hall Conference Room, was called to order at 6:40 p.m. on the 21st day of January, 2015 by Chairperson Wood. There was not a quorum, so the meeting proceeded without official action being taken by the Forum.

The following members were present:

Reverend David Wood, Chairperson John O'Dwyer Cary Lewandowski, Ex-officio Member

The following members were absent:

Paula Alexander Steven Arenson Margot Flanagin Reverend Norris Jackson Rabbi Steven Stark Lowenstein Sasha Von Varga

2. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 15, 2014 MEETING</u> The minutes of the October 15, 2014 meeting could not be approved due to the lack of a quorum.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

None – There were no members from the public in attendance.

4. CONTINUE TO DEVELOP NEXT STEPS FOR THE FORUM

Chairperson Wood updated the Forum on his discussion with Village Manager Phil Kiraly regarding public outreach forums, based upon the Glencoe Water Plant Project. The Village anticipates being ready for public outreach forums by early April. The forums will include visual displays, a formal Village presentation, and public discussion moderated by Forum members. The goal is to hold the public outreach forums prior to the Village Board taking formal action.

Chairperson Wood and Village Manager Kiraly also discussed public versus private venues for the forums. Five venues were considered – Takiff Center, Glencoe Public Library, Watts Center, Glencoe Union

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Church, and Skokie Country Club. Chairperson Wood suggested that the Forum consider three venues/forums as the program is launched – Glencoe Union Church, Skokie Country Club, and Glencoe Public Library. Possible dates were also considered – Tuesday April 9 at Glencoe Union Church, the week of April 27 at Skokie Country Club, and May 9 at Glencoe Public Library. Chairperson Wood will verify the dates with Village Administration prior to advertising the forums.

In the meantime, Chairperson Wood will ask Forum members to coordinate availability of the proposed venues – Glencoe Union Church (Wood), Skokie Country Club (Arenson), and Glencoe Public Library (O'Dwyer and Flanagin).

Member O'Dwyer suggested that the Forum develop a "tagline" to attract public attention to the forums. Other advertising options were also discussed – website, banners, Village sign posts, Glencoe Quarterly, local news outlets, post card mailers, etc.

Chairperson Wood will invite Village President Levin and Village Manager Kiraly to the next Forum meeting to confirm dates, locations, and details.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday February 18, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.