

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
PLAN COMMISSION

Regular Meeting
December 7, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Plan Commission of the Village of Glencoe, Cook County was called to order by Vice Chairman Levin in the Village Hall Council Chamber at 7:35 p.m. on the 7th day of December 2011.

2. ROLL CALL

The following were present:

Larry Levin, Vice-Chairman, Village Board Representative
Walt Eckenhoff, Public-at-Large Representative
Louis Goldman, Glencoe Public Library Representative
Ed Goodale, Zoning Board of Appeals Representative
Bruce Huvard, Public-at-Large Representative
Marya Morris, Public-at-Large Representative
Gary Ruben, School District #35 Representative

The following were absent:

Caren Thomas, Chairman, Public-at-Large Representative
Andre Lerman, Glencoe Park District Representative
Tom Scheckelhoff, Historic Preservation Commission Representative

The following were also present:

David Mau, Director of Public Works
Nathan Parch, Community Development Analyst

3. CONSIDER THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2011 PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the September 14, 2011 Plan Commission meeting were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

No public comments were made.

5. REPORT FROM SUSTAINABILITY WORKING GROUP

Commissioner Eckenhoff along with Sustainability Working Group members Mark Piltingsrud and Dudley Onderdonk reviewed the progress of the Group's four initiatives - website, community outreach event, pilot projects, and code audit:

- A) Community Outreach Event – Commissioner Eckenhoff reported that members planned to host a town hall meeting for community input on sustainability issues to be held mid-March or mid-April at the Takiff Center.

Focus groups at the event would include water, energy, green design and construction, transportation, and open space and Working Group members would act as facilitators. A budget of approximately \$150 was prepared. Sustainability issues identified at the meeting would be summarized, prioritized, and delivered to the Plan Commission and Board of Trustees. The event would be free and open to the public of all ages.

- B) Pilot Projects – Commissioner Eckenhoff reviewed a list of eight potential pilot projects generated by the Working Group. Mr. Eckenhoff stated that a pilot project with a fair amount of visibility was most desired.
- C) Code Audit - Dudley Onderdonk explained the approach for identifying possible code amendments and impediments within existing regulations. He also noted that there are model “green” building codes available that the Village could consider.
- D) Website – Mark Piltingsrud reported that a new subheading of “Sustainability” was added under the existing heading of “ABOUT GLENCOE” on the Village’s website. Information within the Sustainability section of the website would focus on the topical headings of *News/Events, Community Partners, Getting Involved, Land, Getting Around, Water Resources, Buildings, Homes, Waste & Cleaning, Clean Air, Energy Efficiency, & Eco Systems*. The first four headings now include content/information. The nine remaining sections are expected to be completed over the next several months. A demonstration of the website was provided.

Commissioner Eckenhoff stated that the Working Group was looking for direction from the Plan Commission on the four initiatives prior to proceeding. Plan Commission members responded favorably to the status report and provided a few suggestions for website content. Commissioner Eckenhoff stated that the Working Group would proceed as planned and he would provide the Plan Commission with further updates at future meetings.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Goodale reported that the Zoning Commission was reviewing regulations for arbors, trellises, and pergolas and also emergency generators.

7. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING OF THE PLAN COMMISSION

The next meeting of the Plan Commission was scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 pending there is new business to discuss.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan J. Parch,
Community Development Analyst