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- Organization or agency person is submitting comments on behalf of, if applicable
- Topic or agenda item number of interest, or indicate if the public comment is on a matter not listed on the Commission meeting agenda

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SUSTAINABLE
GLENCOE

AGENDA VILLAGE OF GLENCOE SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE



**Glencoe Village Hall
675 Village Court/Virtual Meeting
Tuesday, December 7, 2021- 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

*Barney Gallagher, Chair
Peter Mulvaney, Vice Chair
Bob Breisblatt
Lisa Brooks
Sandy Culver
Hall Healy
Tina Hostert
Helyn Latham*

*Linda Lin
Joshua Markus
Catherine Procopi
Larry Reilly
Laurie Tuchman
Jennifer Varela*

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE OCTOBER 26, 2021 STF MEETING MINUTES 7:05 PM

3. LIBRARY WEBINAR PROGRAM AND BLOG UPDATE 7:10 pm

4. MEMBERSHIP UPDATE 7:20PM

5. GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER UPDATE 7:30 PM

6. YEAR END SPENDING UPDATE 7:40PM

7. 2022 CALENDAR PLANNING 8:10PM

8. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES (AS NEEDED) 8:20 PM

*A. Carbon Reduction
B. Green Lawns
C. Public Awareness*

*D. Ravines and Trees
E. Recycling and Waste Reduction
F. Sustainable Business
G. Water Conservation*

9. GLENCOE COMMUNITY BOARD AND COMMITTEE UPDATES (AS NEEDED) 8:40 PM

*A. Village
B. Plan Commission
C. Park District*

*D. Library
E. School District
F. Other*

10. OTHER BUSINESS 8:50 PM

11. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME 8:50 PM

12. CLOSING FAREWELL AND ADJOURN 9:00 PM

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**VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE**

**Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 26, 2021- 7:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairperson Gallagher called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The following Task Force members were virtually present:

Barney Gallagher, Chair

Peter Mulvaney, Vice-Chair (7:09 p.m.)

Sandy Culver (7:09 p.m.)

Hall Healy

Tina Hostert

Helyn Latham

Joshua Markus

Larry Reilly

Laurie Tuchman

Jennifer Varela

The following task force members were absent

Linda Lin

Bob Breisblatt

Lisa Brooks

Catherine Procopi

Also present were:

Jaimie Fishman, Volunteer

Jeff Mawdsley, Staff Liaison

David Mau, Director of Public Works

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 STF MEETING MINUTES

Upon a motion made by Mr. Healy and seconded by Ms. Latham, and unanimously adopted by all those present by roll call vote, the meeting minutes for September 29, 2021, were approved.

3. WINTER LIBRARY WEBINAR PROGRAM UPDATE

Chairperson Gallagher noted the speakers are set through February. The March program is not set yet. Ms. Culver thought that a follow-up to leave the leaves is a good idea. She said there are several speakers from the Morton Arboretum that are interested. Ms. Culver will work with Ms. Lin and the library to finalize a program for March.

4. VOLUNTEER STF MEETING PARTICIPATION PARAMETERS

Chairperson Gallagher noted that a new volunteer, Mr. Fishman, was attending the meeting. Mr. Healy said he was talking with a resident about possible future participation. Chairperson Gallagher was speaking with someone about helping with the leaf blower ban.

The discussion turned to engaging the public and recruiting volunteers. Ms. Hostert suggested that the GSTF could engage people on social media using Ruby as a figurehead for

responses. The Village already has social media accounts with the major platforms. Mr. Healy noted that there have been several discussions on Nextdoor recently about Leave the Leaves.

Mr. Mulvaney said that the GSTF's meetings could be better publicized, and the Zoom link should be easier to find. Chairperson Gallagher said that making the GSTF more prominent on the Village's website has been an ongoing discussion. Chairperson Gallagher and Mr. Mau discussed how this could be accomplished, and possibly using the Village's marketing contractor. Ms. Hostert and Ms. Varela will meet separately with Village Staff to discuss possibilities of elevating the profile of the GSTF on the website.

Mr. Reilly returned to the topic of how to engage with people through social media. Chairperson Gallagher said that there are several guidelines on engagement through social media. He reminded everyone that individuals can respond, but they cannot respond on behalf of the GSTF or the Village.

Mr. Mulvaney said asked if the Village had a spokesman to make responses like this. Mr. Mulvaney made a motion to have the Village designate a spokesman to respond on behalf of the GSTF. Ms. Varela said that actively managing takes a lot of resources, and the GSTF should be cognizant of that. Mr. Mawdsley said he will ask Ms. Jordan Lester, Assistant to the City Manager, to get a sense of how the Village monitors social media chatter. Mr. Mulvaney was satisfied with this direction and withdrew his motion.

Ms. Varela asked if there is any data on website traffic. Mr. Mawdsley said he will check on this and report back to the GSTF.

Mr. Mulvaney asked if there was an actual logo. Ms. Latham said that she designed a logo and will circulate it to the group again.

Chairperson Gallagher asked if there were any more thoughts on attracting volunteers. Ms. Culver asked if the GSTF had ever put out a call for volunteers. Ms. Hostert said that the conversation with Village would encompass this. Ms. Culver said she was thinking something that could be printed in the Glencoe Compass or the Glencoe Record would be appropriate. A group will work on written articles to submit to the Compass.

5. GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWER UPDATE

Mr. Healy gave an update of the GSTF presentation on the leaf blower ban to the Village Board Committee of the Whole. Mr. Healy said the Trustees' feedback was positive. Mr. Healy said multi-jurisdictional cooperation is a central feature of the plan. Chairperson Gallagher noted that City Manager Kiraly was organizing a meeting with some members of the GSTF to discuss working with other communities.

The discussion turned to the utilization of the leaf collection program. A resident commented that only 39 percent of residents participate in the leaf collection. Public Works Director Mau said that the figure was taken from a past survey, but staff's experience is that participation is much higher. Public Works Director Mau noted that the leaves are composted through the Chicago Botanic Garden. There was some discussion about integrating the leave the leaves messaging into the leaf collection program information.

Ms. Latham asked about having the Village and Park District adopt the practice of leaving the leaves. Mr. Mau said that the Village could engage in those discussions to change internal practices. There was more discussion about how to promote the Village's sustainability practices. Ms. Tuchman asked if something could be placed on the Village's front page to help educate the public.

Mr. Mulvaney suggested attaching a banner to leaf collection equipment for some public education. Mr. Mulvaney asked what that message could be to promote the Village's sustainability practices. There were a few suggestions, but no consensus on a message.

Mr. Healy asked if the Village would put the leave the leaves signs on Village property. Mr. Mawdsley said he received an answer that the Village had previously declined doing so, but he would ask again.

Ms. Tuchman asked about the process of creating the leave the leaves mailer that went out earlier this year. There was some discussion about how these were generated. Mr. Mulvaney asked if there was any way to measure the impact of these mailers. Ms. Hostert suggested that the flash survey could be used to measure this.

6. FLASH SURVEY PLANNING

Chairperson Gallagher said the flash survey could be used to measure this, but also he asked if each team could put together a few questions to be asked using this service. Mr. Mawdsley will investigate this service and report back as to how the GSTF could use the flash surveys.

7. CY 2021 BUDGET UPDATE AND CY 2022 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Mr. Gallagher began the review of the CY 2021 with a discussion about the sustainability intern's output. Mr. Mawdsley will circulate her projects to the GSTF. There were discussions about the remaining year's budget and costs that could be incurred by the end of the year. There was some discussion about the purchase of the hummingbird costume, and the possibility of soliciting donations from external sources. Mr. Mau said that the Village did have a mechanism for accepting donations.

Ms. Tuchman asked about how the Ruby costume would be used and the benefit it would provide. There was some discussion about how the costume would be used.

Mr. Markus asked if the school board had been approached about the cost-sharing. Ms. Hostert said it had not. She said the GSTF would need to approach the board and ask for support. Mr. Healy said we had not done approached anyone else about sharing the cost because the GSTF needed to get a solid proposal developed. Chairperson Gallagher said that the first step was getting the logo out there as part of the GSTF marketing and educational efforts to get people more familiar with it.

Chairperson Gallagher returned the discussion about planning expenditures for the remainder of CY 2021. There was some discussion about creating banners for the leaf collection equipment. There was also some discussion about having banners created for the downtown street lights. The consensus of the GSFT was to produce banners featuring Ruby, anti-idling initiatives and walk, bike and roll to school.

Ms. Culver brought up the idea of adding some signage to the beach area to remind people to clean up after themselves. Barney will speak with the Park District if they would put them up if the GSTF installed them.

Mr. Mawdsley asked if there were any comments on the proposed CY 2022 budget. There was some discussion on the proposed budget. There were no objections

8. CHICKEN COOP UPDATE

Chairmen Gallagher said that Village Staff is looking to develop an ordinance proposal for consideration. Mr. Mulvaney said that GSTF endorsement is not required, but the GSFT could still weigh in on the subject and offer a recommendation.

9. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES (AS NEEDED)

There were no subcommittee updates.

10. GLENCOE COMMUNITY BOARD AND COMMITTEE UPDATES (AS NEEDED)

A. *Village*: The donate and recycle day has been set for May 14. The Recycle and Waste Reduction subcommittee will assist in planning this.

The Village released an RFQ on October 26, 2021, for the installation of the Village's first public electric vehicle charging station. Mr. Mulvaney asked if the GSTF had an opinion on whether the Village should pay the electric charges or if the users should pay the costs. There was some discussion on this. Chairperson Gallagher said that he would continue the discussion on the agenda for further discussion.

The Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County held their biannual update meeting last week. They are reporting seeing all-time highs for prices being received for raw recyclables. They have provided the Village with materials to encourage residents to properly prepare items (i.e. rinsed and dried) before being collected to increase the amount of recyclable material. The Village will work on communicating those materials to encourage more effective recycling.

The Metropolitan Mayor Caucus has released the 2021 Climate Action Plan. Village President Roin has requested that staff review the plan and issue a proclamation to support the plan. The STF will be advised when the proclamation is ready for consideration.

B. *Library*: Ms. Lin sent in a report, which Mr. Gallagher relayed. Ms. Lin said that the Friends of the Library are planning on having a media AV sale of CDs and DVDs in November. Afterward, they are planning to accept donations again and are targeting March for their used book sale.

C. *School District*: Many sixth graders recently participated in a program where they learned about climate change and composting at the Glencoe Community Garden.

Many students were working on posters to promote the upcoming Pumpkin Smash at the Glencoe Community Garden.

The PTO is working on a children's clothing collection project that will be happening in November.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business brought before the GSTF.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Mr. Mawdsley said that no public comments had been received for the meeting.

13. CLOSING FAREWELL AND ADJOURN

Then there being no further business to come before the GSTF, a motion to close the meeting was made by Mr. Mulvaney and seconded by Ms. Culver. Being no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Glencoe Sustainability Task Force
Upcoming Library Programs
Updated: 12/1/2021

Date	Program	Speaker
January 12, 2022	U.N. Intergovernmental Climate Change Panel	Dr. Don Wuebbles
February 15, 2022	Solar Panels and Electric Vehicles	Sam Sperling & Josh Lutton
March 2022		
April 2022		
May 2022		
June 2022		
August 2022		
September 2022		
October 2022		
November 2022		
December 2022		

October 28, 2020

2020/2021 GSTF Blog Post Schedule

Writers should develop a 500 to 1,000-word article regarding their article subject, a **lively short title** and a **one to two sentence introduction**. Please send along article **with at least three photos** that were captured by GSTF member to avoid any copyright violations. Photos from unsplash.com can also be submitted.

The drafted article and photos should be sent to the committee chair and the staff liaison for commentary/edits before the Village due date via email. The Village will provide minor edits to the article and post the article on the GSTF Blog, which can be found here.

Article Subject	Draft to be Delivered to Village	Assigned To	Published on Blog	Mentioned on Village Enews	Mentioned on Social Media
From the Archives: Energy Savings for Your Home	n/a	Larry Reilly	8/1/2020		
Living Infrastructure: Taking Care of Our Urban Forest	7/1/2020	Dudley Onderdonk	8/1/2020		
STF Hosting the Second Donate and Recycle Day	8/1/2020	Lisa Fremont	9/9/2020		
Community Solar Subscriptions	10/1/2020	Barney Gallagher	12/17/2020		
Donate and Recycle Day Recap***	n/a	Larry Reilly	10/23/2020		
From the Archives: Water Conservation	11/1/2020	Peter Mulvaney	(Waiting for the launch of new online water portal)		
Cycling throughout the Year***	n/a	Helyn Latham	11/6/2020		
Hold the Salt: Reducing Salt on Sidewalks***	n/a	Dudley Onderdonk	12/4/2020		
Green Businesses Sustainability Tips	12/1/2021	Sandy Culver and Hall Healy	1/12/2021		
Meatless Mondays	1/1/2021	Linda Lin			

GSTF 2020 Reflections and Accomplishments***	n/a	Hall Healy and Barney Gallagher	1/12/2		
Energy Conservation	2/1/2021	Larry Reilly	2/22/2021		
Green Lawns/Landscaping	3/1/2021	Helyn Latham	3/15/2021		
Bird Mascot Introduction	5/1/2021	Hall Healy	8/1/2021		
Summarizing Your House/Saving Green with LED Light Bulbs	6/1/2021	Larry Reilly, Barney Gallagher	6/15/2021		
Textile Recycling	7/1/2021	Jennifer Varela			
Active Transportation and no Idling	8/1/2021	Larry Reilly			
Leave the Leaves and Gas-powered Leaf Blowers	9/1/2021	Sandy Culver			
	10/1/2021				
Composting	11/2/2021	Linda Lin			
GSTF Accomplishments	12/1/2021	Barney Gallagher			

*** Not originally scheduled.



VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE



Proposed 2022 Meeting Schedule

January 25, 2022

February 22, 2022

March 22, 2022

April 26, 2022

May 24, 2022

June 28, 2022

July 26, 2022

August 23, 2022

September 27, 2022 (Note: conflicts with 2nd day of Rosh Hashanah)

October 25, 2022

November 22, 2022 (Note: Same week as Thanksgiving)

December 27, 2022



Carbon Reduction Priority

Planning Document for 2022

The Issue

According to the U.S. E.P.A. transportation, travel, electricity generation, residential and commercial heating accounts for 67% of greenhouse gas emission in the United States. Methane emissions from the production of oil, coal and natural gas, as well as livestock production and decomposition in landfills constitutes and additional 10% of greenhouse gas emissions.

The Objectives

Guide the Village in making energy efficient choices and educate the community concerning how each of us can make a positive difference in the move away from hydrocarbon fuels and adopt lifestyle changes to reduce reduce greenhouse gases and our overall carbon footprint.

Strategies

- Develop a baseline data set of our individual and community carbon footprint to measure progress against
- Develop educational programs to inform residents and businesses on steps that they can take to reduce energy consumption and adopt renewable energy use
- Develop specific actions that the village, schools, park district and library can undertake to impact energy use and renewable energy adoption
- Evaluate potential ordinance changes that will help drive energy conservation and renewable energy adoption

Action Plan 2022				
Strategy	Action Items	Person Responsible	Planning Period	Item Due
Data	Have Comed and LRS provide aggregated energy usage and waste disposal <u>and composting</u> data for the Village on an annual basis, and similar data for Kenilworth and Winnetka as comps if possible. Staff			
	Continue to monitor EV registration data in the Village and implement water metering/measurement tools to provide individual household with baseline and ongoing performance data similar to that provided by Comed on electric power consumption. Staff			
	Establish energy use reduction targets for public, residential and commercial use and monitor progress towards those goals on an annual basis. STF/Staff			
Strategy	Action Items	Person Responsible	Planning Period	Item Due
Public Actions	Continue replacement of incandescent lighting with LED in buildings and street lighting. Staff			

Establish a time table for the replacement of ICE public vehicles with EV substitutes based upon current Village and Park District vehicle replacement programs. BG

Complete installation of EV charging stations in the Village main parking lot and seek funding to provide additional stations in the employee parking lot. Expand bike lanes throughout the village, as well as additional bike parking areas in downtown. Continue to sponsor biking and walking activities through the schools etc. LR

As a part of the re-evaluation of outdoor dining and public parking, advocate for a pilot program of car-free downtown weekends in order to evaluate the feasibility of an ultimate ban on downtown parking. [Meet with staff and develop a plan for integration of events such as the Farmer's Market, Park District functions etc with a car free initiative.](#)

Evaluate current electricity supply commitments of the Village/Library/Schools and Park District and determine the feasibility of conversion of all public buildings to either active solar or community solar electricity supply. [Inventory and track LED conversion efforts by all public bodies.](#) BG

Consider a Carbon Offset tax for village residents - proceeds would be invested in carbon offsets in order to mitigate the Village's overall carbon footprint. (Ref: CarbonFund.org). LR

Evaluate methods for individual measurement of carbon foot prints and make one available to the community. LL

Monitor developments in longer-term carbon reducing technologies (e.g., EV school buses, in-street solar panels) and help educate Village agencies and businesses when technologies become feasible

Reach out to the Glencoe Junior High School Project, the local scouting groups, the schools, Glencoe Youth Services and religious institutions to develop programs to foster environmental education and actions. To be driven by student STF members.

Stage an Electric Vehicle and alternative transportation (scooters, ebikes etc.) Fair in conjunction with the Glencoe Art Show or the proposed car-free weekends

Develop a library program or possibly in-school program encouraging younger students to consider STEM career paths

Education

Continue to advocate for the adoption of Meatless Monday and the implementation of the Active Transportation Plan

Continue to collaborate with District 35 and other Village stakeholders via the Walk, Bike, Roll to School and No Idling programs

Support other STF working groups in carbon reducing initiatives (e.g., Leave the Leaves, gas-powered leaf blowers)

Promote carpooling and public transit options (including public school buses)



Issue	
	<p>Overuse of chemical fertilizers, pesticides, gas-powered landscaping equipment and manicured lawns has detrimental impacts upon our environment, creating pollution and reducing the natural environment and its resiliency. Indiscriminate use of insecticides negatively impacts beneficial insect populations. Fertilizer and herbicide runoff moves chemicals into Lake Michigan, the Skokie Lagoons and local rivers, creating risks to drinking water, and contributing to the annual algae bloom in the Lagoons, which is harmful to aquatic plants and fish species. Furthermore, traditional suburban lawns use more water than native grasses, and in addition tend to be overwatered, which leads to higher costs to clean and pump that water.</p>
Vision	<p><i>The vast majority of Glencoe’s residents and the Village are using natural alternatives to chemical fertilizers and pesticides in public and private spaces, less gas-powered landscaping equipment and more native species and “rewilding” (including native grasses), resulting in a significant improvement in the health and resilience of the environment in general, its plants, animals and people.</i></p>
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Significantly decrease the use of treated water, chemical pesticides, fertilizers, herbicides and gas-powered equipment in the community; 2. Significantly increase the use of native plant species, including grasses, and the “rewilding” of private and public spaces; 3. Significantly reduce the presence of non-native/invasive plant species; 4. Introduce and enforce policies and practices to significantly reduce the use of chemical fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and gas-powered landscaping equipment in the Village.
Strategies	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop and conduct educational programs to decrease the use of chemical fertilizers, pesticides, and gas-powered equipment by <u>commercial landscaping companies and Village entities</u> in Glencoe; 2. Through the Glencoe Library, School and Park Districts, Chicago Botanic Garden and other appropriate partners, such as the Village of Wilmette (which has done significant work in this area), and methods develop and conduct educational programs for <u>residents</u> to demonstrate the benefits of using alternative fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides, and non-gas-powered equipment; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Create a database of useful information on green lawn practices, equipment and native species on the STF Blog/Village website, and potentially at the Glencoe Public Library; 3. Develop and conduct an educational program to increase the presence of native plant species and to reduce the presence of non-native, invasive plant species in Glencoe; 4. Develop and implement Village policies to reduce the use of chemical fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and gas-powered equipment by commercial landscaping companies, Village entities and residents in Glencoe; 5. Develop, implement and maintain a “competition”/incentive among residents to promote green lawn practices. Examples could include: Village registration of pollinator gardens, plantings such as milkweed to provide habitat for monarch butterflies, the “certified wildlife habitat program”, installation of rain gardens, planting of grasses that require less mowing and less use of water, fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides;

Action Plan 2021-2022				
<i>Strategies</i>	<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Persons Responsible</i>	<i>Planning Period</i>	<i>Item Due</i>
<u>Educational Programs</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop and conduct an educational program with written materials, providing information in English and Spanish on alternative fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides to commercial landscaping companies and Village entities-Village government, Glencoe Library, School and Park Districts; 2. Develop and conduct an educational program with written materials, events and media articles on the benefits of alternative fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides for Glencoe residents in collaboration with Glencoe Library, Park and School Districts, Chicago Botanic Garden and other appropriate partners; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Create a database of useful information on green lawn practices on the STF Blog/Village website; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Collect relevant articles from CBG, archives ii. Identify other sources of information 3. Develop and conduct an educational program to increase the use of native plant species, including grasses, in order to reduce the presence of non-native, invasive plant species in Glencoe, and to reduce the overuse of water. (Potentially, #2, 3 above will be combined.) 	SC HH HL		
<u>Policies</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop, implement, enforce Village policies to reduce the use of chemical fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides by commercial landscaping companies, residents and Village entities <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop a plan with the Village Plan Commission, Park District (which has done work in this area), School District, other appropriate entities; b. Develop individual policies to address these issues; 	SC HH HL		
<u>Competition</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop, implement, maintain a “competition” among residents to promote green lawn practices. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Examples include: Village registration of pollinator gardens, plantings such as milkweed to provide habitat for monarch butterflies, installation of rain gardens, planting of grasses that require less mowing, water and use of herbicides 	SC HH HL		

Our sub-committee will help create awareness of the GSTF as well as support all the GSTF initiatives to the inspire action within our community.

- Platforms to reach the community:
 - Social media
 - Regular postings to include news about upcoming events, sustainable actions/successes, or various tips and relevant sustainable topic news
 - Use of the Village's accounts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter
 - All posts to be routed through the GSTF staff liaison
 - All images to be properly used without copyright infringement
 - Distribution list
 - GSTF to maintain a list of contacts for local organizations and publications to push news in order to communicate through their existing networks
 - D35 newsletter
 - Blog
 - Maintained by staff liaison to house digital content
 - Build over time to gain more following
 - Village Sign (at GB & Park Ave) – coveted signage, requires approval from the Village
 - Welcome Kits
 - Inclusion in *Welcome to Glencoe* folder for new residents (Chamber of Commerce?)
 - Events
 - Donate / Recycle/ Recovery Days
 - Library Programming
 - Sustainability Stars Invite a Friend Event
 - Representation/Presence within the Village
 - Inclusion in: July Parade, Farmers Market, Art Show, Beach Cleanup Etc
- Logos & Templates
 - Maintain consistent image:
 - Powerpoint Template AND a slide on who we are/how to learn more
 - Need alignment on hashtag
- Ideas – Require more follow up:
 - Door hangers (Boy Scouts can hang as part of service program)
 - Can we encourage branded programs here in Glencoe and utilize their marketing powers – such as free product samples, pilot programs, etc?
 - Opportunity for sustainability kits distribution or sustainable vendor events?
 - PR activations > Ask community members to take pics of their sustainable activities and/or ask media to capture for publication
 - Sculptures/art/signage to create more awareness and presence
- Other discussion:
 - Team plans to meet once per month, roughly 2 weeks ahead of the GSTF meetings – Jen to send invite. We all have other work/family commitments, so we will be respectful of time involved.
 - GSTF mention in materials for Textile Recycling program

- Consider Northshore Recorder for another publication
- Unslash for graphics
- Jen to get word out about 2/4 and other upcoming library events

Village of Glencoe Sustainability Task Force
Ravines and Tree Canopy Priority
 Planning Document for 2021



The Issue

The ravines and tree canopy represent critical natural resources to Glencoe. Both are resources which are largely privately held creating a set of unique management issues given their importance to the Village as a whole. The ravines are under increasing erosion pressure as we experience more frequent and heavier rain events resulting in excessive stormwater run-off.

The Vision

The Objectives

Strategies

Create a comprehensive plan for securing the ravines addressing the issue of reducing the volume of wastewater run-off into the ravines and including the development of a private-public collaborative effort to restore and maintain the ravine system.

Collaborate with the Lake County Storm Water Management Commission (LCSWMC) and Highland Park in ravine system management planning. Determine what are best eco-sensitive practices to control storm water run-off into the ravines and incorporate them into all relevant Village ordinances.

Work with staff to incorporate best practices in all Village new construction, sub-division development and tree removal ordinances around preservation of heritage trees.

Action Plan 2021				
<i>Strategies</i>	<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Planning Period</i>	<i>Item Due</i>
Ravine Plan	Determine the specific legal interests of the Village vis a vis the private ravine homeowners. Can the Village require owners to take specific actions to remedy issues or only prohibit given activities?			
	Utilizing existing documents develop a ravine management educational piece for ravine property owners			
	Seek to have input into the Lake Michigan Watershed Ravine Management Plan being developed by the LCSWMC			

Working with LCSWMC set up meetings with the owners on each Glencoe ravine to review the current conditions of that ravine (per the existing LCSWMC ravine map) and remedial steps that can be taken to improve the conditions of the ravine

Work with the Village, the Park District and private developers to prioritize the use of green infrastructure to control stormwater whenever possible. Green infrastructure includes rain gardens, bioswales, stormwater bumpouts & basins, tree trenches, wetlands, French drains, dry wells, and check dams as well as cisterns and other "soft" stormwater control structures including land management.

<i>Strategy</i>	<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Planning Period</i>	<i>Item Due</i>
Heritage Trees	Evaluate the National Green Building Standard to determine if specific provisions should be adopted by the Village			
	Evaluate Tree Ordinances of various communities to seek and appropriate model for Glencoe			



Recycling and Waste

Planning Document for 2021

The Issue

Too much waste goes into the landfill.

Note: The proliferation of disposable masks, single-use plastics and solid waste during COVID-19 has further highlighted the necessity of embracing sustainable materials and waste reduction.

The Vision

Glencoe is actively engaged in the 5 R's (Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repurpose) as a municipality and community, ultimately aspiring to be zero-waste.

The Objectives

1. Reduce waste produced by each household and within village.
2. Recycle materials across all sectors.
3. Divert waste from landfills.

Strategies

Reduce Waste:

- (RW1) Set specific waste reduction goals for municipality and community.
- (RW2) Enact policies that enforce sustainable materials management.
- (RW3) Promote and practice waste reduction in village operations.
- (RW4) Engage the community in waste reduction.

Recycle

- (R1) Set specific residential and commercial recycling goals.
- (R2) Make recycling easy and accessible for Glencoe residents.
- (R3) Enact policies to enforce recycling.
- (R4) Engage community in proper recycling practices.

Divert Waste

- (DW1) Collaborate with specific waste providers to support proper disposal of items that would otherwise go to the landfill.
- (DW2) Continue to seek partnerships with recycling/upcycling services for hard-to-recycle items and those not suitable for curbside pickup.
- (DW3) Engage community in waste diversion practices.

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Strategies

Action Items

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Responsible*

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RW1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set goal for businesses to eliminate plastic bags by 2022. • Set goal for community to eliminate use of plastic water bottles by 2022. 			
RW2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ban or discourage the use of products resulting in unmanageable waste, e.g., plastic bags, straws, plastic water bottles. 			
RW3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce use of paper in municipal offices. • Conduct waste audits to identify waste reduction opportunities. 			
RW4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and promote exchange of goods and services among residents, e.g., donating and shopping at local consignment/thrift stores, rummage sales, posting on Glencoe Next Door, etc. • Make all Glencoe events zero waste. • Educate community to reduce waste by consuming less and reusing. 			
R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set and promote goal of achieving a xx% recycling rate of basic materials collected by LRS by 2022. 			
R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and implement village-wide, clearly marked receptacle system for recycling, waste and compost (similar to what CBG has in place). • Implement and promote Terracycle and Simple Recycling. • Collaborate to support proper disposal of waste not included in village services or special events, e.g., pharmaceutical and personal care waste. • Continue to hold and promote recycling and waste diversion events for specific materials. 			
R3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require commercial and residential recycling. • Establish a construction and demolition recycling policy. 			

R4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educate and remind community of proper recycling and composting practices. 			
DW1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with SWANCC to promote proper disposal of household hazardous waste. Educate residents and support proper disposal of fats, oils and grease (FOG). Continue to promote proper disposal of electronic waste through village services. 			
DW2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborate with vendors for proper disposal of pharmaceutical and personal care product waste (Terracycle). 			
DW3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organize community wide clean-up days for specific areas, e.g., beach, lagoons, ravines, etc. Support local production of food, home gardening, and community supported agriculture. 			
Initiatives	<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Planning Period</i>	<i>Item Due</i>
Blog Information Reservoir				
Initiatives	<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Planning Period</i>	<i>Item Due</i>
Ally Organizations	Go Green Illinois			
	SWANCC			
	Earth 911			
	Plastic Pollution Coalition			
	Zerowastechicago.org			
	National Recycling Coalition			



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Issue	Glencoe businesses have been practicing sustainability for years. The current initiative is intended to provide encouragement, support and recognition for their past, current and future sustainability efforts, particularly in this time of Covid-19, when businesses are facing financial and other hardships.			
Vision	<i>Glencoe's businesses are engaged in and publicly recognized for a wide array of sustainable practices, resulting in more financial sustainability (especially during today's pandemic) and a measurably lower impact on the environment.</i>			
Objectives	1. Position the STF as a resource to assist Glencoe's businesses in becoming more sustainable;			
	2. As a partner, not a "watchdog", encourage, support and recognize local businesses in their adopting of more sustainable practices;			
	3. Help local businesses help Glencoe residents become more sustainable (through such things as their product offerings, bag use, utensils);			
	4. Attract, retain and help grow sustainability businesses and non-profit organizations in Glencoe as an "incubator"/"magnet" for those types of businesses/organizations;			
	5. Determine next steps in the business program in terms of policies, incentives, programs.			
Strategies	1. Determine the current business sustainability practices; 2. Provide information to demonstrate to local businesses what resources are available on sustainable practices and where to find them; 3. Revise and re-implement the program to recognize local businesses for their sustainable practices;			
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Strategies	Action Items	Persons Responsible	Planning Period	Item Due
Current Sustainability Practices	1. Develop, conduct a study of current business sustainability practices, as an update of the one done several years ago; a. Develop a survey, collaborating with the Village Business Liaison Team and Glencoe Chamber of Commerce, using the previous survey as a guide; b. Mail, email, deliver in person the survey; c. Conduct, tabulate survey results; d. Publicize survey results to local businesses and in local social and other media;	SC HH LL		
Sustainability Education Program	1. Research existing sustainable business practices in the region and elsewhere as appropriate; 2. Using results of the research, compile resources in print and digital formats designed to inform, educate and generally make it easier for businesses to undertake sustainable initiatives; 3. Present this information to the business community via:	SC HH LL		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Online, other social media, written materials as education and publicity; b. Meetings with the Business Liaison Team, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club; c. Library programs; <p>4. Develop content for the business page of Glencoe's website that recognizes and promotes current sustainability practices to the public;</p>			
<u>Business Recognition Program</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review the current business recognition program for its applicability during Covid; 2. Revise the program in collaboration with the Business Liaison Team and the Chamber of Commerce; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop criteria, realistic levels (including a minimum or base level to qualify for any recognition, and steeper requirements for successively higher levels of recognition), and clear goals; b. Include in the criteria as a special category the recognition of those who are in the business of sustainability; c. Do a trial run of the revised program with a business that had previously been recognized and one that hadn't been recognized by the prior program; d. Revise the program based on results of the trial run; 3. Roll out the revised program with local businesses; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Promote the program and those businesses recognized by it through social and other media, meetings with the Chamber, Business Liaison Team, Rotary; 	SC HH LL		
<u>Next Steps</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Research EcoDistricts, Metropolitan Mayors and Managers, other communities, regions (even Europe) to determine appropriate policies and incentives for Glencoe to adopt that will help businesses be more sustainable; 2. Implement appropriate financial and other incentives that will encourage and support businesses to become more sustainable; 3. Develop a plan, including policies and incentives, to attract sustainability businesses and non-profit organizations to locate/relocate in Glencoe. (Several are already here.) 	SC HH LL		

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Water Use, Protection & Conservation

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The Issue

The average American uses over 100 gallons of water a day. Most of this water use is (about 70%) is indoors, while the remaining 30 % is for outdoor activities especially landscaping. Water Conservation is becoming more important as the Village’s water supply system faces mounting challenges related to climate change, rising demand, pollution, higher treatment standards, higher costs and aging infrastructure.

The Vision

Manage the Village water supply in a way that contributes to the net positive use of water. This is achieved through Water Conservation, Water Quality Improvements, Water Infrastructure Management, Stormwater Management, Water Protection Policy Initiatives Stewardship and Community Engagement.

The Objectives

- A. Use and distribute water efficiently
- B. Protect and Improve water quality
- C. Manage potable water system assets sustainably
- D. Manage stormwater with natural & built systems
- E. Enact policies to protect water resources
- F. Practice stewardship of water resources
- G. Engage the community in water stewardship

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The Strategies

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>Planning Period</i>	<i>Item Due</i>
A-1 Reduce per-capita Village water consumption by 20%	Everyone		
A-2 Implement water efficiency measures at all governmental facilities	V,SD, PD, LD	Underway	
A-3 Encourage residences and businesses to identify and mitigate water loss	V, Chamber Task Force		
A-4 Designate a staff Water Conservation Coordinator to support water conservation programs	V		
A-5 Audit water use and quality, share with customers	V	Underway	
A-6 Establish conservation pricing water rates based on use	V		Done
A-7 Adopt a “Green Water Sense” plumbing code	V		Done
A-7 Mandate water retrofits upon resale, purchase or reconnection	V		
B-1 Protect surface & groundwater from construction contamination with fencing ,temporary storage and phased development	V, Builders	Underway	
B-2 Do not use coal tar sealers on Village property	V		
B-3 Eliminate unnecessary pesticides, fertilizer & salts on Village property	V		
B-4 Encourage/Require replacement of lead water pipes	V Task Force	Underway	
B-5 Support post-development runoff reduction & mitigation	V, Builders	Underway	
B-6 Re label storm drains indicating discharge to lake or river	V		

	C-1 Operate an efficient water utility that delivers healthy clean water that exceeds state & federal standards	V		Ongoing
	C-2 Significantly reduce the loss of potable water as it passes through the treatment and delivery system	V	Underway	
	C-3 Support a third party warranty program for the timely repair of service lines	V		
	C-4 Provide a long term solution to upgrade or replace the ageing treatment and delivery system	V	Underway	
	C-5 Develop an infrastructure asset management plan to sustain the system	V	Underway	
	C-6 Coordinate street, utility & water infrastructure projects	V		Ongoing
	D-1 Participate in the National Flood Insurance program to allow access to flood insurance	V		Ongoing
	D-2 Use green infrastructure on Village property including permeable surfaces, bioswales, trees, rain gardens filter strips and functional landscapes	V		
	D-3 Encourage residents & businesses to adopt green infrastructure projects such as rain barrels, plantings & other measures that capture & store rainwater	V Task Force		
	D-4 Encourage property owners to disconnect downspouts & direct flow to landscaping	V Task Force		
	D-5 Collaborate with other organizations & governments to sustainably manage storm water	V		
	D-6 Explore establishing a storm water utility for funding	V		
	E-1 Conduct a water rate study to determine a sustainable rate structure	V		Done
	E-2 Adopt full cost pricing for water service	V		Done
	E-3 Require water efficiency & conservation practices in all new development	V		
	E-4 Enact and enforce the control of wasteful water practices	V		
	E-5 Eliminate barriers to green infrastructure such as cisterns, green roofs and permeable pavement.	V		
	E-6 Protect surface and groundwater from runoff and contamination	V	Underway	
	E-7 Allow rainwater harvesting for non-potable uses	V		
	F-1 Sustain a supply of high quality public water	V		Done
	F-2 Ensure drinking & wastewater systems are operating safely & efficiently	V		Ongoing
	F-3 Participate & support regional, state, federal & international watershed planning and stewardship efforts	V		Ongoing
	F-4 Allow public access and encourage stewardship of community waterways, especially Lake Michigan	V Task Force		Ongoing
	G-1 Educate and support the community to conserve water	V Task Force		Ongoing
	G-2 Educate the community on the value of safe and clean drinking water	V Task Force		Ongoing
	G-3 Promote tap water over bottled water	V Task Force		
	G-4 Educate and support the community on practices that reduce water contamination such as salting, excessive use of fertilizer and improper waste disposal	V Task Force		Ongoing
	G-5 Educate students & residents about how Village water & wastewater systems work to encourage conservation & stewardship	V Task Force SD	Underway	

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Ally Organizations	MPC, Metropolitan Planning Council			
	CMAP, Chicago Metropolitan Area Planning (Agency)			
	CNT, Center for Neighborhood Technology Rain Ready			
	ASLA, American Society of Landscape Architects – Sustainable Sites Program			
	USGBC, U.S. Green Building Council – LEED Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Illinois Green Chapter			
	Go Green Illinois a consortium of 50+ “green” non-profits			
	Chicago Botanic Garden / Cook County Forest Preserve			
	ECO Districts Living Infrastructure Priority			
	LCSMC - Lake County Stormwater Management Commission			
	Open Lands – Chicago Metro Area			
	APWA, American Public Works Association			
	USEPA - US Environmental Protection Agency – Region 5			
	Alliance for the Great Lakes			
	ASCE- American Society of Civil Engineers			
	IDNR - Illinois Department of Natural Resources			
	Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, Greenest Region Compact			
	ICC, International Code Council / NAB , National Association of Homebuilders - National Green Building Standard			