

VILLAGE OF GLENCOE
SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The following Task Force members were present:

Hall Healy, Chairman
Donna Craven
Sandy Culver
Gray Drobny
Peter Mulvaney
Dudley Onderdonk
Catherine Procopi
Larry Reilly

Also present were:

Adam Hall, Management Analyst

2. CONSIDER THE NOVEMBER 27, 2018 SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the November 27, 2018 Sustainability Task Force were approved.

3. TASK FORCE MEMBER UPDATES ON GSTF PROJECTS

Task Force members discussed an overview of the work completed on the community solar initiative. Task Force members discussed the drafted recommendation memo to be presented to the Village Board at a future Committee of the Whole meeting for discussion. Task force members also discussed the Community Solar Clearinghouse Solution Program in development by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus.

Task Force members discussed the sustainable business recognition program, and areas of conversation include the outreach on increasing applications by enclosing the application materials in the business license materials, additional outreach and educational efforts and a upcoming presentation at a Business Before Breakfast meeting that is scheduled.

Task Force members discussed the stormwater mitigation and improvements to stormwater quality. Areas of discussion include dog waste bags being disposed of improperly and removing leaves and debris from drainage grates. Task Force members Drobny and Procopi discussed outreach to District #35 students regarding a potential Adopt-a-Drain program. The program will encourage students to adopt storm drains near their home and remove garbage and debris in order to improve water flow.

4. TRANSPORTATION

The Task Force also discussed the completed Active Transportation Planning plan, and the next steps to begin implementing the recommendations of the plan. Task Force members Reilly and Schimmelpenninck created a reference spreadsheet for use during discussions on project implementation. A forthcoming meeting will be scheduled to discuss the projects potentially scheduled in Fiscal Year 2020.

5. RAVINES

Task Force members discussed the ravine alliance concept and the upcoming Lake County Storm Water base mapping plan that will be completed in Glencoe. Rather than releasing a proposal document, the Task Force will wait until the base mapping plan is completed, while continuing to outreach to those homes in the Alliance area with additional education about private ravine management.

6. RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING

Task Force members discussed the recycling and composting initiative, with a focus on the partnership with the Community Garden to improve commercial and residential composting through their new outreach program. The Village will be installing composting containers behind the Public Works facility to provide an opportunity for an additional places for residents to drop off their materials for the Community Garden. Staff is working on signage for the placement, the Hefty Energy Bag program and discussed forthcoming public awareness about the drop off location.

7. COMMUNITY CERTIFICATION

Task Force members discussed community rating systems that will provide a framework by which a community can receive a rating based on numerous sustainability factors. At the next meeting Task Force members will do a deeper review of various programs available in order to provide a future overview of these programs to the Village Board for discussion in order to determine next steps.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Task Force member Craven shared information regarding upcoming sustainability events at the Glencoe Public Library on January 27 and February 25. Task Force members also discussed historic preservation and potential redevelopment in Glencoe.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

There were no comments from the public.

10. SUMMARIZE AND OUTLINE NEXT STEPS

A discussion occurred on tasks needed to be completed for the October Sustainability Task Force meeting. General consensus from the Task Force was that group members would continue to work on the initiatives that they have selected to be involved in as project leaders, and report back to the Task Force at the next meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Sustainability Task Force, upon motion made, seconded and unanimously adopted by those present, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.