



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**VILLAGE OF GLENCOE**  
**GLENCOE COMMUNITY RELATIONS FORUM**

Virtual Meeting  
April 7, 2021 – 5 p.m.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Prior to calling the meeting to order, Chair Clark explained the basis for conducting a virtual public meeting in compliance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Assistant Village Manager Sharon Tanner was physically present at the Village Hall.

The meeting began at 5:03 p.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
<b>Community Relations Forum</b>		
Dipti Clark	Chair	Present
Margot Flanagan	Member	Present
Rev. Dwayne Gary	Member	Present
Annice Moses	Member	Present
Amy Mysel	Member	Present, arrived at 5:07 p.m.
Gary Ruben	Member	Present
Hilary Scott	Member	Absent
Maureen Valvassori	Member	Present
Robert Young	Member	Present
<b>Village Staff</b>		
Sharon Tanner	Assistant Village Manager	Present

**II. APPROVAL OF MARCH 17, 2021 MEETING MINUTES**

Member Young made a motion, seconded by Member Ruben to approve the meeting minutes of March 17, 2021. The motion was approved with the following vote:

Aye – Clark, Flanagan, Gary, Moses, Ruben, Valvassori, Young (7)

Nay – None (0)

Absent – Mysel, Scott (2)

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT (ON TOPICS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA)**

Chair Clark invited members of the public to comment on matters not on the agenda and asked Assistant Village Manager Tanner to read any comments that were submitted by e-mail in advance of the meeting. There were no public comments.

**IV. DISCUSSION REGARDING REVISIONS TO THE VILLAGE’S HUMAN RELATIONS ORDINANCE**

Assistant Village Manager Tanner provided an introduction of the process to review and provide feedback regarding the Human Relations Ordinance. Forum members provided feedback regarding further revisions to the ordinance and discussed whether the ordinance may be written more broadly or listing specific dimensions of diversity and identity. The Forum members expressed support for drafting the ordinance in a manner that is inclusive of all individuals. The Forum also offered preliminary feedback on a request from the American Jewish Committee to codify the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance’s working definition of anti-Semitism. The Forum expressed a preference for broad language in the ordinance, rather than specific definitions, and that the draft language of the ordinance articulates a rejection of hate and discrimination, including religious discrimination.

**V. DISCUSSION REGARDING SUBCOMMITTEE INITIATIVES**

Chair Clark asked for subcommittee updates on their initiatives. Member Moses shared that the subcommittee working on “Getting to Know the Heart of Glencoe” conducted their first interview. Member Moses suggested that the Forum develop a Forum logo that can be used in printed and online materials.

Chair Clark shared that there are four organizations as confirmed panelists for the upcoming April 21 town hall panel discussion, including District 35, Family Service of Glencoe, the Glencoe Historical Society and Writers Theatre. The theme is, “How Do We See Glencoe Through the Lens of DEI?” Chair Clark discussed the format of the panel discussion and asked Forum members to develop questions to be addressed during the presentation.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

Rev. Gary shared that St. Paul AME Church and North Shore United Methodist Church have invited Dr. Larry Murphy to present at an upcoming webinar, in which he will share his insights from making the PBS program, “The Black Church: This is Our Story, This is Our Song,” its outcomes, the rise of Black faith traditions and what it takes for a community to become beloved. The webinar will be held on Wednesday, April 14.

Chair Clark asked to discuss the concept of a summer event at the first meeting in May.

**VII. ADJOURN**

Member Ruben made a motion to adjourn at 6:17 p.m., seconded by Rev. Gary. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

Aye - Clark, Flanagan, Gary, Moses, Mysel, Ruben, Valvassori, Young (8)

Nay - None (0)

Absent -Scott (1)