



**MEETING MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF GLENCOE  
SESQUICENTENNIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Village Hall Conference Room  
675 Village Court  
Wednesday, April 4, 2018 – 3:00 PM

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The Sesquicentennial Planning Committee meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Ettelson at 3:04 p.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2018 in the Village Hall Conference Room.

**The following were present:**

Karen Ettelson, Chairwoman

**Also present were:**

Lawrence Levin, Village President

Philip Kiraly, Village Manager

Megan Hoffman, Assistant to the Village Manager

Peter Van Vechten

Ed Goodale

Michael Halberstam, Writers Theatre Artistic Director

Kathryn Lipuma, Writers Theatre Executive Director

Jon Faris, Writers Theatre Managing Director

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from the public.

**III. DISCUSSION OF WAIT, WAIT DON'T TELL ME EVENT**

The Committee was joined by Mr. Michael Halberstam, Ms. Kathryn Lipuma and Mr. Jon Faris of Writers Theatre to discuss a celebration idea based on the concept of hosting a Glencoe-version of the popular National Public Radio (NPR) radio show "Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me!" (WWDTM).

Mr. Halberstam and his colleagues asked about the Committee's hopes for the event, to which Ms. Ettelson responded that the Committee hopes the event is both celebratory and educational in nature, highlighting Glencoe's history in some way. The event, she added, may also be a fundraising mechanism for other Sesquicentennial activities such as a legacy project. Mr. Halberstam shared Writers Theatre's desires for the event, noting that the theatre is excited to participate in the Sesquicentennial celebration. They are committed to ensuring that any event hosted at Writers is a success and meets the high standards which the theatre is known for. He suggested that the Committee consider some alternatives to the event as proposed, such as hosting a variation on "Glencoe's Got Talent," or perhaps even inviting NPR to host a recording of WWDTM at Writers. The Committee expressed enthusiasm for the idea of inviting NPR to record at Writers, noting that should NPR accept, the event would have a wide-reach, helping to bring recognition to Glencoe's celebration. Mr. Halberstam plans to reach out to his contacts at NPR and will follow-up with the Committee.

As the format of the event is determined in the coming weeks, Writers Theatre affirmed that they could hold several Saturday time blocks in early March and as well as two Monday evening time blocks in late March and early April.

**IV. DISCUSSION OF APRIL 23 PLANNING GROUP MEETING AND FOLLOW-UP WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

The Committee moved discussion to preparations for the next community organization meeting on April 23, 2018, which will again be hosted by Writers Theatre. The Committee restated the goal of having organizations present their preliminary ideas back out to the larger group, helping to produce a tentative calendar for the year-long celebration. Ms. Ettelson committed to reaching out to the Glencoe Public Library and will discuss the idea of hosting some type of interactive kiosk or display throughout the year. Village Manager Kiraly added that he has an upcoming meeting with District 35, the Glencoe Park District and Family Service of Glencoe, who he will remind about the upcoming meeting and ask about their tentative plans. Village Manager Kiraly will also engage the Glencoe Golf Club in a similar discussion. Mr. Goodale shared a legacy project idea from the Glencoe Methodist Church, to help construct a new meeting house for Glencoe Youth Services. Assistant to the Village Manager Hoffman committed to sending e-mail reminders before the April 23 meeting and will coordinate logistics.

**V. DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

The Committee reviewed an application for an appointment to the Communications/Marketing Chair position and will schedule an interview with the candidate.

**VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Ms. Ettelson introduced a memo regarding Open House Glencoe (event to be renamed), drafted by Ms. Ellen Subart who is interested in coordinating the event. The concept behind the event is to allow visitors to tour interesting building and locations that are not generally open to the public. The Committee agreed that Ms. Ettelson should ask Ms. Ellen to move forward with planning for the event, likely to be hosted sometime in September 2019. Mr. Van Vechten added that a classic car show could be a part of the Open House Glencoe event in some way.

Assistant to the Village Manager Hoffman agreed to set up a meeting in early May to coordinate a joint event with the Village of Winnetka and the City of Highland Park, who are also celebrating their sesquicentennials in 2019.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Goodale also introduced the ideas of fiberglass "150" photo stations to be placed in picturesque locations around the community, as well as the idea of painting the Sesquicentennial logo on the Village's water tower. These ideas will be discussed at a later date.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

Ms. Ettelson adjourned the meeting at 4:54 p.m.

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