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MINUTES OF THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026 GLENCOE BEACH AND LAKEFRONT ADVISORY GROUP MEETING - GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT THE TAKIFF CENTER, COMMUNITY HALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM by Chair Reifman, and the roll was called.

Members in Attendance: Nicole Reifman (Chair), Rada Cheremoshnyuk, Eileen Sirkin, Delta Rae Schonhoft (6:37 PM), Larry Smith, Andre Lerman, Steve Varick, Lowell Cantor

Absent: Daiva Calkite, Jennifer Rapoport, Rob Green, Julia Lissner, Samantha Dobrusin, Anna Guelzim

Staff in Attendance: Executive Director Lisa Sheppard, Deputy Director/Director of Recreation and Facilities Bobby Collins, Director of Parks and Planning Kyle Kuhs, Assistant Director of Recreation and Facilities Adam Wohl, and Facility Manager Shannon Stevens.

Public in Attendance: Jeff Shapack, Maggie Shapack, Janet Lerman

Approval of Minutes: Member Varick moved to approve the June 17, 2026, Lakefront Advisory Group Meetings minutes. Member Smith seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote. No further discussion ensued.

Parking Task Force Update: Executive Director Sheppard provided an update on the joint Village and Park District Parking Task Force, which met on Wednesday, September 16. She reviewed the makeup of the Task Force, its role in evaluating parking and access issues surrounding Lakefront Park and Glencoe Beach, and the anticipated meeting schedule. She also discussed the process the Task Force will use to develop recommendations, which will ultimately be presented to the Village and Park District for consideration.

Glencoe Beach Operating Hours and Discussion

Director Collins and Assistant Director Wohl led a discussion regarding Glencoe Beach operating hours. Staff reviewed the extension of operating hours from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the 2026 season and discussed whether there is a community need or operational reason to extend hours further.

The Advisory discussed potential options, including later hours on select days or during peak summer months, as well as the possibility of changing Lakefront Park and beach hours to sunrise to sunset. Staff noted that any changes would need to balance community use with staffing, safety, cost, and neighborhood impacts. Further discussion

will take place at the next Advisory meeting in November as part of the comprehensive Lakefront season review.

Post-Season Staffing and Admission Model and Discussion
Director Collins and Assistant Director Wohl led a discussion regarding post-season staffing and beach access following Labor Day. Staff reviewed current post-season operations, and the challenges associated with continued use during favorable weather after the regular season ends. The Advisory discussed potential options for future post-season operations, including staffing on select days, extending admission requirements beyond Labor Day, and balancing access with safety, staffing, cost, and neighborhood impacts. Further discussion will take place at the November meeting as part of the comprehensive Lakefront season review.

Referendum Project Update: Director Kuhs provided an update on the Glencoe Beach referendum improvement projects and progress to date.

Matters from the Public:

Jeff Shapack (Resident)
Jeff expressed concerns regarding the fully loaded cost to taxpayers of operating Glencoe Beach and emphasized the importance of considering Glencoe residents first when making decisions regarding beach operations, access, and expenditures. He also questioned the Northbrook reciprocal agreement, including its impact on beach usage, costs, and parking access for Glencoe residents.

Janet Lerman (Resident)
Janet thanked Park District staff and the Lakefront Advisory Group for their work and continued efforts related to the lakefront.

Other Business: Chair Reifman noted that the Park District reviews and updates the Northbrook reciprocal agreement annually.

Adjourn: Member Varick moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58PM. Member Rae Schonhoft seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by,



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Bobby Collins
Deputy Director/Director of Recreation and Facilities