



GLENVIEW PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING  
@ Park Center  
2400 Chestnut Avenue  
Glenview, IL 60025  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 22, 2015

**1. Roll Call**

Vice President Charlie Kuhn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the roll was called.

Commissioners present: David M. Dillon, Angie G. Katsamakidis, Charles J. Kuhn, Robert J. Patton, Daniel B. Peterson, David S. Tosh

Commissioners absent: William M. Casey

Official Staff present: Attorney Samuel W. Witwer, Jr., Treasurer William D. Moore, Executive Director/Secretary Michael D. McCarty, Superintendent of Park & Facility Services James Warnstedt, Superintendent of Special Facilities Lori Lovell, Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer, Human Resource Manager Laila Bashia and Recording Secretary Joanne Capaccio. Please refer to the attendance record for visitors.

Official Staff absent: Superintendent of Administrative Operations Barbara Cremin

**2. A Moment of Silence was observed**

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Superintendent Jim Warnstedt's father-in-law who recently passed.

**3. Meeting Minutes**

**(a-d.) Accepted the September 22, 2015 Finance Committee meeting minutes; approved the September 24, 2015 Regular Board meeting minutes; accepted the October 13, 2015 Finance Committee meeting minutes and accepted the October 13, 2015 Administrative Operations Committee meeting minutes.**

Commissioner Peterson moved seconded by Commissioner Dillon to accept the September 22, 2015 Finance Committee meeting minutes; approve the September 24, 2015 Regular Board meeting minutes; accept the October 13, 2015 Finance Committee meeting minutes and accept the October 13, 2015 Administrative Operations Committee meeting minutes. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dillon, Katsamakidis, Patton, Peterson, Tosh, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried. (Copy of minutes filed herewith.)

**4. Officers' Reports**

**a. President**

Vice President Charlie Kuhn went over the procedures for the public to address the Board.

**b. Treasurer**

Treasurer Bill Moore gave a brief summary of the month's financial reports and noted there were no unusual conditions. He also reported (7) large invoices for the month: Action #1 Construction; Advanced Cleaning Systems; Direct Energy Business; Glen Club; PDRMA; Frederick Quinn Company; and Bob Ridings, Inc.

**c. Attorney**

No Report

**d. Executive Director/Secretary**

i) 2015-2018 Strategic Plan Update

Director Mike McCarty gave a brief progress update on the 2015-2018 Strategic Plan that the Board adopted in November 2014. There are a total of 109 strategic initiatives of which 12 are now complete and 55 currently in progress. A complete listing of the initiatives and their status was included in the Board's packet.

ii) Annual Donations, Sponsorship and Alternate Revenue Report

Director McCarty noted this annual report compares and tracks alternative revenue sources for the Park District to previous years. The District had another great year receiving \$4.5million dollars in alternative revenue.

iii) Consideration to appoint IAPD (Illinois Association of Park Districts) Annual Meeting Delegates

Director McCarty noted this is an annual housekeeping item to appoint Glenview Park District delegates to the IAPD Annual Business meeting in January.

Commissioner Tosh moved seconded by Commissioner Patton to appoint Park Board member Dan Peterson as a delegate for the IAPD Annual Business Meeting on January 30, 2016 and Park Board member Dave Dillon as the alternate delegate. On voice vote, all present voted aye. Motion Carried.

iv) IAPD/IPRA Community Service Award Nominations

Director McCarty noted the Park District annually recognizes those in the community who go above and beyond in their support of the Park District by submitting them for an IAPD/IPRA Community Service Award. This year we will be submitting the following nominees: Doris Conant for her donation of the Fitness Zone equipment; Laura Sears, a volunteer at The Grove and contributor to The Grove Heritage Association and Stephanie Arkus, President Emeritus of the Glenview Stars Hockey Association.

**5. Matters from the Public**

Vice President Kuhn noted some members of the public in attendance at tonight's meeting had filled out comment cards requesting to address the Board. He asked for those to come forward at this time.

The following speakers addressed the Board:

1. Sharon Riley, 2118 Fir Street, Glenview, a resident for 34 years.

Sharon thanked the Park District for their dedication to the community and appreciates all the beautiful parks, natural areas and facilities in the district. Sharon noted how sad she was that the fireworks were moved to The Glen. She is concerned about the 33 acres of restored natural areas at Gallery Park and the wildlife that she feels will be affected by the fireworks. She referred to the Village's Plan for Nature Summary Report which states Lake Glenview and the natural areas in Gallery Park should be maintained as natural areas for wildlife habitat. Sharon shared some pictures she took that she feels captures the beauty of the natural areas around Lake Glenview. She asked the Board to strongly consider not moving the Fireworks/Twilight Show to Gallery Park and to continue to maintain the natural areas for wildlife preservation.

2. Susan Mann, 1868 Grove Street, Unit B, Glenview  
Susan recently expressed her views on the proposed relocation of the annual Twilight Show to Gallery Park at the October 14, 2015 Recreation, Museum & Swimming Pools Committee of the Whole. However, she wanted to express her views tonight as well since she is very disappointed with the proposed recommendation. Susan noted she has found very little fault with the Park District over the many years she has lived in Glenview and this was the first time she has addressed the Park Board. A diverse Citizens Advisory Committee, which Susan was a member of, was convened a year ago to review the location options and recommended keeping the fireworks at the golf course based on the positive holiday experience, feel of community and long-time traditions which they feel will be lost at Gallery Park. Susan feels the decision to move the location of the fireworks was already made regardless of the Advisory Committee's year-long review of the matter and ultimate recommendation. She noted for 50 years it was never even considered to move the fireworks for any reason until the golf course renovation. In order for the Advisory Committee to feel that their time and efforts were not in vain, Susan challenged the Park Board and the Village staff to retain all of this traditional village celebration and transfer it in good taste and with a positive attitude to its new location. She does not want to see it become a fun fair or food fest and feels the impact on the restaurants in the Glen should not be considered. She noted the downtown businesses have been impacted with annual community events over the years and have learned to deal with them. She left the board with these thoughts: "Bigger is not necessarily better and less is more".

Commissioner Tosh wanted to let Susan know that her efforts and time on the Citizen Advisory Committee were not in vain and the Board listened to what she and the Committee had to say in their recommendation. Dave explained that the fireworks could not be moved back to the golf course next year because the new fairways would be ruined. He too was concerned about the natural habitats at the Glen but was assured by The Village of Glenview that this would not be a long-term issue.

3. Mary Novotny, 2334 Indian Ridge Drive, Glenview, a resident for 42 years.  
Mary served on the Village Zoning Board and the Glen Redevelopment Commission. She noted the redevelopment of the Glen was an eight-year process where every inch of it was considered and all meetings were open for public input.

The Commission protected the wildlife habitat at the Glen with the Kent Fuller Preserve. They planned for the future and there was always the possibility that the fireworks may someday be moved there as evidence of the bump in the lake. Gallery Park is a community greeting place and the golf course is for golf. Mary realizes traditions are nice, but she also feels you need to build for the future even though people don't like change. Consideration has to be given to the money that taxpayers invested to renovate the golf course not to mention the loss revenue to close down the course for a few days for this event. She commented that no matter where the fireworks are held, people will come because it is the Fourth of July.

*Note: Staff received additional comments from residents expressing their views regarding the location of the July 4th Fireworks/Twilight show through emails and phone conversations. Copies of those correspondences are filed herewith.*

## 6. Committee Reports and Recommendations

### a. Recreation, Museum & Swimming Pools Committee of the Whole

#### i) Twilight Show Discussion

Staff had previously presented information to the Committee of the Whole including the 2015 Twilight Show survey results, the Advisory Committee recommendation and items to consider if the Twilight Show is moved back to the Glenview Park Golf Club. No further information was presented at tonight's meeting.

#### ii) Approved Permanently Relocating the Twilight Show to Gallery Park

The Recreation, Museum & Swimming Pools Committee of the Whole previously accepted the staff recommendation to permanently relocate the Twilight Show to Gallery Park and brought it to the full Board tonight for consideration.

Commissioner Dave Dillon wondered why permanently had to be included in the motion and felt relocating should suffice. He feels it will be more difficult for staff by moving the fireworks to The Glen since staff was very familiar with hosting the twilight show at the golf course. He personally was not impressed with the fireworks at Gallery Park this year but understands the reason for change and looks forward to the new venue.

Vice President Kuhn noted that ever since Glenview acquired the 1100 acres (The Glen) it has divided Old Glenview (downtown areas) and The Glen (New Glenview). He hopes that divide will soon heal and notes that Gallery Park is a community park to be enjoyed by everyone in Glenview. He admitted this was a difficult Board decision and relied on staffs' professional assessment of which site would be best.

Commissioner Tosh moved to accept a Recreation, Museum & Swimming Pools Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve permanently relocating the Twilight Show to Gallery Park. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Katsamakias, Patton, Peterson, Tosh, Dillon, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

#### iii) Committee Update

No Report

**7. @Consideration to approve Accounts Payable**

Commissioner Peterson moved seconded by Commissioner Dillon to approve payroll and accounts payable for the month of September, 2015 in the amount of \$2,422,499.69. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Patton, Peterson, Tosh, Dillon, Katsamakakis, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**8. @Consideration to approve Consent Agenda items**

Vice President Kuhn asked if anyone would like an item removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion; there were no requests.

Commissioner Patton moved seconded by Commissioner Katsamakakis to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Peterson, Tosh, Dillon, Katsamakakis, Patton, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried. (Copy of supporting information filed herewith and explained below).

**a. Accepted an Administrative Operations Committee recommendation to approve revised Policy No. 4.13: Smoking Prohibition**

The revisions clarified the policy to prohibit smoking within 15 feet of Park District building entrances as stated in the Illinois Smoke Free Illinois Act.

**b. Accepted an Administrative Operations Committee recommendation to accept revised Policy No. 9.73: Social Media**

The Park Board Commissioners were included in the District's Social Media policy.

**c. Accepted an Administrative Operations Committee recommendation to approve seven part-time year round positions to be classified as PT4 based on recent clarifications related to the definition of "seasonal" employees under the Affordable Care Act**

**d. Accepted a Recreation, Museum & Swimming Pools Committee recommendation to reallocate a Park Center Full-Time Position to PT4**

The Full-Time Assistant Manager position that was vacated on June 10 and not filled will be reallocated to a PT4 position for the Fitness Coordinator position.

**e. Accepted an Administrative Operations Committee recommendation to accept revisions to Personnel Guidelines/Section 6: Salaries and Allowances**

**f. Accepted an Administrative Operations Committee recommendation to accept revisions to Personnel Guidelines/Section 10: Health and Safety**

**9. Committees Reports and Recommendations (cont.)**

**a. Administrative Operations**

**i) Updated Policies: 4.13 and 9.73**

Administrative Operations Committee Chair Patton noted six Commissioners attended the Committee meeting on October 13, 2015 so no further discussion was needed on these Committee topics.

Policies 4.13 and 9.73 were approved on the Consent Agenda tonight by the Board.

ii) Affordable Care Act

The Board approved on the Consent Agenda to reclassify seven part-time year round positions as PT4 based on requirements of the Affordable Care Act.

iii) Revised Personnel Guidelines

Revisions to Personnel Guidelines/Section 6: Salaries and Allowances and Section 10: Health and Safety were approved on the Consent Agenda tonight by the Board.

iv) Committee Update

No Report

**b. Finance**

i) Tax Levy Discussion

Finance Committee Chair Dan Peterson noted the Committee reviewed two options for the 2015-16 property tax levy that will fund operations for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016. He noted under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL), the district is limited to an aggregate increase of .8% in the tax capped funds, which is based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The Committee's two options both captured the full .8% of available funding in tax capped funds (operating funds). Option 1 did not increase the overall tax levy with the exception of new properties added to the tax rolls. Option 2 was for a .96% increase, exclusive of the new property added to the tax rolls, and provided for an additional levy of \$152,593 in the Special Recreation Fund.

Dan also explained that in conjunction with the tax levy ordinance, staff will prepare the PTELL Reduction Ordinance. This ordinance notifies the County Clerk which levy would be reduced if the full amount of new growth planned for in the levy does not materialize. As in the past, the levy captures the new growth in the Corporate Levy; therefore the PTELL Reduction Ordinance will be prepared to reduce the Corporate levy if the new growth does not materialize.

The Finance Committee recommends that the Board approve a levy of \$16,396,696 (Option 1 – no increase with the exception of new property added to the tax rolls). The Committee further recommends that the board approve the PTELL Reduction Ordinance reducing the Corporate levy.

Dan noted that no action on the tax levy was needed at tonight's meeting; however, both ordinances will be considered for board approval at the November 19, 2015 board meeting.

ii) Bond Issue

Chair Peterson explained that each year the District issues rollover bonds to acquire funds to spend on special projects and debt service. The final payment on the bond used for the construction of Park Center was made in December 2014. Prior to using the bond to pay debt service on the Park Center bond, it was used to defray the costs of other capital items, such as the capital replacement contributions that come from the facility budgets.

The Finance Committee agreed to recommend that the Board move forward with issuing a one-year bond and to allocate the funding based on Park District Resolution 2007-12 which gives half of the funds to Park Services and half to build up the capital development fund.

- iii) Committee Update  
No Report

**c. Recreation, Museum & Swimming Pools**

- i) Splash Landings Roof Repairs/Replacement  
Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer reported that staff recommended replacing the Splash Landings roof next July when the pool is closed for cleaning. The Committee concurred and the bids will go out in December.
- ii) Future Plans for Wagner Farm  
Elsa noted that Wagner Farm Director Todd Price reviewed with the Committee some staff plans for enhancing the experience at Wagner Farm such as: interpretive signage, additional information on the District's website, an additional livestock shelter, enhanced outreach during events, and a farm themed playground for the site. The Committee concurred with the staff plans.
- iii) Proposed Group Exercise Studio Changes  
Elsa also reported that staff proposed to switch the two group fitness rooms moving the spin room to the mind body room and freeing up space in Studio 2. The Committee supported the staff recommendation to move forward with the change.
- iv) Boating on Lake Glenview  
Elsa noted that the Committee concurred with a staff recommendation to move forward with planning and implementing recreational, non-motorized boating on Lake Glenview to begin in 2016. This would be for carry in only and no rentals for the first year.
- v) Update: Naval Air Station Glenview Museum  
The Committee also directed staff to review this proposal and options in more detail with the local groups that are supporting this museum concept.
- vi) Committee Update  
No Report

**d. Special Revenue Facilities**

- i) Addition of Two Paddle Courts to Prairie Club  
Superintendent of Special Facilities Lori Lovell noted the Committee discussed the additional paddle courts and some issues staff is having with limited restrooms and lack of storage at the club.

Commissioner Katsamakakis asked if the Paddle Tennis Courts would break even in 5 years as originally predicted. Lori noted the men's league is at capacity, but the two additional courts would allow for growth in the women's league. Currently there are

304 members in total.

ii) Glenview Ice Center Renovations

Lori also noted the Committee discussed the proposed Ice Center renovations and presented some ideas. The Committee asked staff to look at other concepts and to report back in November.

iii) Committee Update

No Report

## 10. Staff Reports

Superintendent of Parks and Facility Services Jim Warnstedt reported that work on the new east garage maintenance facility is on schedule with 66% of it completed and also within budget. The targeted completion date is February 1. The concrete yard is currently being worked on with 125 yards of concrete being poured on Friday. Some tree planting will begin on the north side of the building. Jim also reported that the Fitness Zone equipment has been installed at Gallery Park. Signage will go in soon to acknowledge Doris Conant the donor of the equipment. The renovations of the Arboretum at Flick Park are going well; pathways are in and work is currently being done on the limestone edging. Trees and shrubs will be planted soon. Jim also reported that between two scout projects, 150 trees have been planted: 75 at Community Park West and 75 at Flick Park.

Superintendent of Special Facilities Lori Lovell reported that a Golfer Appreciation Day was held at the Glenview Park Golf Course with 160 golfers attending. She also reminded the Board of the upcoming adult tennis mixer at the Tennis Club and the start of the Friday night meltdowns at the Ice Center which is an open public skate. Middle school aged kids really like this venue.

Human Resource Manager Laila Bashia who was attending the meeting on behalf of Superintendent Barb Cremin reported that the Accounting department has started to work on the budget kickoff process which will commence in November. The Information Technology (IT) department is now fully staffed with the addition of a Desktop Support Technician. IT is currently working on an upgrade to the Park District's registration software (Rec Trac) with staff training on the upgrades to follow. Human Resources (HR) is also now fully staffed with HR Specialist Allison Reicher joining the team. Over the past year, Personnel guidelines have been revised in sections and brought to the Board for their consideration with the final revisions to be completed for next month's Board meeting. An all full-time staff meeting is scheduled for December 2 to roll out these new personnel guidelines along with the new employee recognition program. Also our Risk Manager, Henry Urbina is working on rolling out an online training curriculum through PDRMA for all supervisors and managers and he is also revising the drug screening process. Marketing is now fully staffed as well with the hire of a new full-time graphic designer.

Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer reported that last week's Spooktacular at Park Center saw 736 children in attendance which does not include the parents to bring the attendance to over 2000. This was up from 665 children in 2014. She also noted that the annual Fall Harvest Festival at Wagner Farm was very successful and saw 1,325 in

attendance. And she announced the hire of the new Youth Sports Athletics Supervisor, Daniel Bregman.

## **11. Matters from Commissioners**

Commissioner Angie Katsamakos commented on the recent Youth Sports Coach forum that was held at Park Center. She was hoping that more of the local sports groups would have had their coaches participate. Superintendent Elsa Fischer said staff will reach out to the local groups and their volunteer coaches to encourage them to attend the next forum. She also remarked that this was a busy time for youth sports and feels maybe that's why attendance was low. Commissioner Dave Dillon concurred.

Commissioner Dave Dillon attended Flight Fest and really enjoyed it but felt the food could be improved on. He also feels this event has great potential and would like to see it enhanced. He also attended the IAPD summer golf tour at the Glenview Park Golf Club and felt the food service was inadequate and overall understaffed. However, he attended Harvest Fest at Wagner Farm and thought it was exceptional and complimented Director Todd Price for all his hard work.

Commissioner Dave Tosh complimented Golf Director Ron Cassidy for all his support for the youth golf program and for all he has had to manage in the past few months with the opening of the newly renovated course.

Commissioner Bob Patton also attended Flight Fest and really enjoyed it. He liked the educational aspect and commented that the Veterans Ceremony was "Top Notch" He suggested more bouncy inflatables for next year since the kids really seemed to enjoy them.

Vice President Charlie Kuhn recognized all of the volunteers at Harvest Fest and noted he really enjoyed the event.

Attorney Sam Witwer expressed his appreciation to Director Mike McCarty, Joanne Capaccio and The Lantern newspaper for all their efforts in supporting and covering his son Michael's recent book signing in The Glen. Michael Witwer just had his first book published: *Empire of Imagination*.

## **12. Correspondence**

Mr. McCarty presented the article that appeared in The Lantern on Michael Witwer and expressed how happy everyone was for Sam and his family. Mike also presented a letter the Park District received from the Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) congratulating Wagner Farm volunteers John and Nancy Slivka for receiving the IAPD Citizen Volunteer of the year award that was presented to them at the annual IAPD Best of the Best Awards Gala on October 2. IAPD also sent a letter thanking the Park District for hosting their Summer Golf Tour at the Glenview Park Golf Course and thanked Ron Cassidy, Jan Benedetto and their staff. Mike also recognized the Ice Center skating instructors for their participation at the USFS (US Figure Skating) Educational Skating seminars recently held in Skokie. He thanked the instructors for representing the Park District at the seminar and the Ice Center staff for their continued efforts in promoting the figure skating profession.

**13. Adjourn to Executive Session—Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 et seq. to discuss Minutes (c21)**

Commissioner Katsamakakis moved seconded by Commissioner Patton to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 et seq. at 8:00 p.m. to discuss Minutes (Sub-section c21). Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tosh, Dillon, Katsamakakis, Patton, Peterson, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

After a short break, the Executive Session convened at 8:08 p.m.

Commissioner Peterson moved seconded by Commissioner Katsamakakis to adjourn the executive session and move back into Open Session at 8:14 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Katsamakakis, Patton, Peterson, Tosh, Dillon, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**14. Action on items that were discussed in Executive Session, if any**

**(a.&b.) Approved the Executive Session meeting minutes from the October 13, 2015 Administrative Operations Committee Executive Session Meeting and approved the Semi-Annual review of Executive Session minutes**

The October 13, 2015 Administrative Operations Committee Executive Session minutes will remain confidential pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06 Ch. 102, par. 42.06 (f).

Commissioner Peterson moved seconded by Commissioner Patton to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes from the October 13, 2015 Executive Session Board Meeting and approve the Semi-Annual review of Executive Session minutes. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dillon, Katsamakakis, Patton, Peterson, Tosh, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**15. Approved disposal of verbatim recordings of fully released Executive Session meeting minutes dated prior to March 2014**

Commissioner Dillon moved seconded by Commissioner Tosh to approve the disposal of verbatim recordings of fully released Executive Session meeting minutes dated prior to March 2014. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Peterson, Tosh, Dillon, Katsamakakis, Patton, Kuhn. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**16. Adjourn**

Commissioner Patton moved seconded by Commissioner Peterson to adjourn the Open Session at 8:15 p.m. On Voice Vote; all present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

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William M. Casey  
Board President

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Michael D. McCarty  
Board Secretary

Approved this 19th day of November, 2015

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# Glenview Park District | Memo



**To:** Board of Park Commissioners

**From:** Elsa Fischer, Superintendent of Leisure Services

**Cc:** Michael McCarty, Executive Director

**Date:** October 14, 2015

**Re:** Email and phone correspondence regarding the Twilight Show

Attached are copies of several emails and a summary of one telephone conversation from residents who are unable to attend the meeting to discuss the location of future Twilight Shows. All wanted their comments to be added to the record on this issue.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

**Elsa Fischer**

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**Subject:**

FW: Future July 4th fireworks location

Greetings, Bill and Mike—

As a member of the Independence Day Celebration Commission (as it was then called) in the early 2000s, I much enjoyed Glenview's annual July Fourth fireworks display at "The Weed" both for the beautiful setting and the sheer tradition of it. And as a Swainwood-area resident, I certainly appreciated the easy walk from my home to the golf course for this event.

However, I do recall numerous conversations at commission meetings about the prospect of moving the fireworks to The Glen at some future date. Back then, such a change was regarded by some as an act of near-heresy, given conflicting community opinions about The Glen's growing ascendancy in village commerce, recreation, and culture. Years later, I would hope that any resentment that The Glen is not, somehow, part of "real Glenview" has quieted, though perhaps a bit still lingers.

Though this year's relocated band concert and fireworks display may have raised a few suspicious eyebrows, most folks regarded it as absolutely sensible given the golf course renovation and reconstruction that was still in progress. As promised all along, The Glen offered multiple entry and exit points, plentiful parking, spacious seating, and a scenic backdrop to the pyrotechnics that was every bit as beautiful as the golf course. Yes, there were a few traffic-related glitches, especially at the end of the evening, but nothing that cannot be remedied in future years.

Now that "The Weed" is back in business, better than ever, I cannot imagine that the Park District would compromise this impressive community asset's ability to serve patrons and generate revenue by ever moving the fireworks back there. Instead, Glenview citizens should be pleased and grateful that the Village of Glenview's visionary planning and the Park District's continued stewardship of Gallery Park and environs have offered us such a splendid venue for our July Fourth celebration in 2015 and, I hope, for years to come.

Thank you for your insights and leadership on this matter and so many others. May this afternoon's meeting be informative, constructive, and cordial for all who attend.

Best regards,  
Allan

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**Elsa Fischer**

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**Subject:**

FW: Fireworks' Location-Please move them back to the Park District

**From:** Sharon Riley [<mailto:sharonrileyrt@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 12:27 PM

**To:** William Casey

**Cc:** Robyn Flakne; Michael McCarty

**Subject:** Fireworks' Location-Please move them back to the Park District

Dear Mr. McCarty,

Thank you for your kind response. We wish we were available to testify at the hearing today, but we have a long-standing commitment tonight.

We found some parts of your response to be surprising. We think that fireworks must create a major disturbance to animals resting and nesting in the immediate and surrounding areas, and are disappointed if stewards of our wildlife habitats would not urge their protection from the invasiveness of fireworks.

We love the Grove where we spend many hours during spring bird migration. But the fact that we have the Grove should not diminish our longing to protect and preserve other natural areas to the fullest. The Lake, unlike the golf course, is recognized by the Village as having natural habitat worthy of protection.

Most of us do not welcome some of the wildlife residing at the Lake into our homes and yards. It seems like the least we can do is respect their habitats in a place we have provided, at least in part, for this purpose.

Also, because the golf course is mainly enjoyed only by the golfers among us, we think that it would be wonderful to share the golf course's open with the entire community this one day a year!

We are always grateful when leaders of vision do all that they can, even small things, to protect our natural world. We respectfully urge you and the Park District Board to return the fireworks to the Golf Club.

Thank you for your further consideration.  
Sharon and Jim Riley

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Executive Director  
Rebuilding Together North Suburban Chicago  
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Glenview, IL 60025  
847-778-7469

***"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." Helen Keller***

**Elsa Fischer**

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**Subject:** FW: Fireworks in the Glen

-----Original Message-----

From: Frick corene [mailto:whiteoak2@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 3:19 PM

To: Operator-AdminOffice

Subject: Fireworks in the Glen

I strongly urge the Board to vote to keep the fireworks on the 4th of July in the Glen. It was much better having it there last summer.

Corene Frick  
2646 Goldenrod  
Glenview

Sylvia Campone called on October 13.

She lives at 1844 Admiral Court, Glenview

She purchased her condo at Tower Crossing 8 years ago

She has attended the Twilight Show at both locations

She has a 31 year-old son who is paraplegic and in a wheelchair. She took her son and 5 of his friends (who are all in chairs) to the Twilight Show at Gallery Park. The site was SO accessible and it was a wonderful evening. They went to Ted Montana's Grill for dinner, wheeled across the street and enjoyed the Twilight Show. She could not have done this at the Glenview Park Golf Club. She would like the show to be relocated to Gallery Park. Change is good!

## Elsa Fischer

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**From:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 11:06 AM  
**To:** Elsa Fischer  
**Cc:** Cheryl Noll  
**Subject:** FW: July 4th Fireworks

Cindy Torres-Hattendorf  
Glenview Park District  
1930 Prairie Street  
Glenview, IL 60025  
Phone:224.521.2174

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Purva Kelkar Singla [mailto:purva\_kelkar@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 10:35 AM  
**To:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Subject:** July 4th Fireworks

To the Glenview Park District Board,

As I cannot attend tomorrow's meeting at the Park District, I wanted to voice my opinion on the fireworks display via email. The new Gallery Park location in the Glen this year was a very refreshing and wonderful change for the usual fireworks display on the golf course. Not only did it provide much more needed viewing space but it also allowed community members to patronize the nearby restaurants and shops before, during and after the show. It's a win-win for the community and Glenview businesses in the Glen Tower to keep the fireworks in the Glen parks in 2016 and the future!

Thanks!  
Purva Singla  
Glenview resident

Sent from my iPhone

## Elsa Fischer

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**From:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 10:06 AM  
**To:** Elsa Fischer  
**Cc:** Cheryl Noll  
**Subject:** FW: July 4 firewoodrks location

Cindy Torres-Hattendorf  
Glenview Park District  
Administration Office  
1930 Prairie Street  
Glenview, IL 60025  
Ph: 224-521-2286

-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Coursey [mailto:[pescador70@comcast.net](mailto:pescador70@comcast.net)]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9:21 AM  
To: Operator-AdminOffice <[Operator-AdminOffice@glenviewparks.org](mailto:Operator-AdminOffice@glenviewparks.org)>  
Subject: July 4 firewoodrks location

Unable to attend the Wednesday 10/14/15 meeting. However we want to express our preference to have the annual 07/04 fireworks display at Gallagher Park in the Glen. It is an ideal location, has plenty of parking and allows walk-ins from a heavy residential area surrounding the park.

The Golf course location is more obscure and less central to the entire village.

James & Patricia Coursey  
3263 Coral Lane  
Glenview, IL 60026

## Elsa Fischer

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**From:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 10:04 AM  
**To:** Elsa Fischer  
**Cc:** Cheryl Noll  
**Subject:** FW: Fireworks

Cindy Torres-Hattendorf  
Glenview Park District  
Administration Office  
1930 Prairie Street  
Glenview, IL 60025  
Ph: 224-521-2286

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Teresa Truesdale [mailto:teresa3003@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 8:24 AM  
**To:** Operator-AdminOffice <Operator-AdminOffice@glenviewparks.org>  
**Subject:** Fireworks

Hi

I, unfortunately, will not be able to attend the upcoming meeting concerning where to hold the fireworks. My family and I loved having them in Gallery Park this year. Though I've heard that they are wonderful at the golf course, too, we've never attended due to the hassle factor. What I liked about Gallery, is that families came early to set up their spot and then easily walked over for the event later in the day.

Th other fun thing about it, is that you could also easily see the fireworks from neighboring villages. It was awesome. With full disclosure, I live right across from the park, and coupd easily see the fireworks from my house. However, the fireworks from Northfield pop right in our clear view, as well (usually on the 3rd), so that has little to do with our preferences.

When considering everyone's opinion, our family votes for keeping the fireworks in Gallery Park.

thanks,

Teresa Truesdale  
1996 Patriot Blvd

Sent from my iPad

**Elsa Fischer**

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**From:** Cheryl Noll  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:41 AM  
**To:** Elsa Fischer  
**Subject:** FW: GPD - Contact Form Received

And they keep coming!!!

Cheryl Noll  
Glenview Park District  
1930 Prairie Street  
Glenview, IL 60025  
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**From:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:40 AM  
**To:** Cheryl Noll  
**Subject:** FW: GPD - Contact Form Received

**From:** Glenview Park District [<mailto:wordpress@glenviewparks.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 8, 2015 10:30 AM  
**To:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Subject:** GPD - Contact Form Received

**First Name:** Lynda  
**Last Name:** murphy  
**Organization:**  
**Address:**  
**City:**  
**State:**  
**Zip:**  
**Phone:**  
**Email:** [pmurphy25@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pmurphy25@sbcglobal.net)

**Comments:**  
please keep fireworks in gallery park.  
We had stopped going to fireworks because of parking.  
But last year was great because parking was a breeze,

## Elsa Fischer

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**From:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 9:29 AM  
**To:** Elsa Fischer  
**Cc:** Cheryl Noll  
**Subject:** FW: Fireworks in the Glen

Cindy Torres-Hattendorf  
Glenview Park District  
Administration Office  
1930 Prairie Street  
Glenview, IL 60025  
Ph: 224-521-2286

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Frick corene [mailto:whiteoak2@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 3:19 PM  
**To:** Operator-AdminOffice <Operator-AdminOffice@glenviewparks.org>  
**Subject:** Fireworks in the Glen

I strongly urge the Board to vote to keep the fireworks on the 4th of July in the Glen. It was much better having it there last summer.

Corene Frick  
2646 Goldenrod  
Glenview

## Elsa Fischer

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**From:** Operator-AdminOffice  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1:34 PM  
**To:** Elsa Fischer  
**Cc:** Cheryl Noll  
**Subject:** FW: 4th of July location

Cindy Torres-Hattendorf  
Glenview Park District  
1930 Prairie Street  
Glenview, IL 60025  
Phone:224.521.2174

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeannine Krasucki [mailto:jeannine1689@gmail.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2015 12:56 PM  
To: Operator-AdminOffice  
Subject: 4th of July location

Hello,

I would like to express my opinion on where we would prefer the 4th of July fireworks to be. We vote for The Glen at Gallery Park. We have seen fireworks at both locations and Gallery Park by far was a perfect spot. There is access to parking lots and it felt safe and incredibly well organized. We were advised when we moved to Glenview, almost 14 years ago, that fireworks would be around the lake at Gallery Park. This fueled the desire to see them there. The double image of the lake reflection and the fireworks in the air was spectacular.

Please choose Gallery Park for the permanent location.

Thank you,

Jeannine Krasucki