

APPROVED

MINUTES OF TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2016 GLENCOE BEACH AND
LAKEFRONT ADVISORY GROUP MEETING - GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT
GLENCOE BEACH – SUN SHELTER #5

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chair Lerman and roll was called.

Members in Attendance: Andre Lerman (Chair/Commissioner), Lisa Brooks (Commissioner), Jeremy Matthews, Dudley Onderdonk, Jon Ruderman, Linda Semel, Eileen Sirkin, Larry Smith

Staff in Attendance: Director of Recreation and Facilities Michael Lushniak, Beach/Watts Facility Manager Bobby Collins, Executive Director Lisa Sheppard

Public in Attendance: John Collins, Cindy Crane, Danielle Gensburg, Janet Lerman, Peter Mulvany, Nataliya Omelchenko, Hal Sirkin

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the April 26, 2016 Glencoe Beach and Lakefront Advisory Group meeting was unanimously approved.

Midseason Beach Operations Review: Director Lushniak reviewed the current status of beach operations. Highlights included the construction and implementation of new cashier carts at the halfway house, effectiveness of morning revenue collection, and increased security and cleaning efforts. Maintenance operations were also discussed including new trash cans, increase in operation of the beach cleaner, and the positive results of increased beach lighting.

Midseason Beach Usage and Boat Storage Update: Director Lushniak and Facility Manager Collins spoke about the increase in demand for rental kayaks, paddle boards, and sailboats. This success was attributed to the operational change of having the rental fleet visible to the swimming beach patrons and the operational staff changes associated with this relocation. Staff also reviewed the increase in chair and umbrella rentals. It was communicated that, at this time, all sand spots have been filled and there is a potential for a waitlist to exist next season.

End of Season Planning: Director Lushniak and Facility Manager Collins talked about the desire to end the summer as successfully as it began. A focus will be placed on refining external and internal processes to streamline efficiencies on both the boating beach and swimming beach. It was noted that staffing will become a challenge in mid-

August when many of the college students go back to school. Also mentioned were upcoming visits from outside agencies including PDRMA, Ellis, and Red Cross.

Matters from the Public: Members of the public congratulated staff on the improvements made to operations this summer. Members of the public encouraged beach staff to continue to improve and generate new ideas to bring to this committee. Peter Mulvaney also spoke in an educational capacity about water testing at the beach.

Other: Executive Director Sheppard informed the committee of the recent Special Projects Committee meeting in which the topic of a renovated Lakefront Park was introduced.

Adjourn: It was unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mike Lushniak
Director of Recreation and Facilities