

**Glen Ellyn Park District
Board of Commissioners
Workshop Meeting
June 6, 2017
185 Spring Avenue**

I. Call to Order

President Nephew called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Commissioners

Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Ward, Wilson, Weber, Stortz, Durham and President Nephew. Commissioner Cornell arrived at 7:27 p.m.

Staff members present were Executive Director Harris, Superintendent of Finance & Personnel Cinquegrani, Superintendent of Recreation Esposito, Superintendent of Parks & Planning Hopkins, Marketing & Communications Supervisor O’Kray, and Executive Assistant Dikker.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

President Nephew led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Changes to the Agenda

None

V. Recognition – Glen Ellyn Rotary

Park Board Commissioners and Staff recognized the Rotary Club of Glen Ellyn for their generous \$10,000 contribution to the beautification project at Prairie Path Park. President Nephew stated that each year the Rotary Club of Glen Ellyn awards a series of grants to local organizations for community projects. The Park District partnered with the Glen Ellyn Public Library and the Village of Glen Ellyn to create a project that would bring added interest, beauty and recreation to Prairie Path Park and after review, the Rotary Club approved the project and implementation began.

A permanent Storybook Walk was installed and provided by the Glen Ellyn Library and will be periodically refreshed. A new landscape plan was developed, with services donated by Keith Demchinski, along with new plantings, a rain garden, fresh paint applied to the gazebo and a refurbished and relocated landmark sign. Recreational outdoor equipment was added which consisted of an outdoor ping pong table and two chess tables. President Nephew stated on May 5th, several Rotary Club members of Glen Ellyn including their President, Scott Park, donated their time and labor to plant flowers and spread mulch at the park. A special ribbon cutting was held on June 4th as well.

President Nephew shared background of the Glen Ellyn Rotary Club’s involvement as a major funder of College and Vocational Scholarships over the years and stated that Prairie Path Park

was often referred to as Rotary Park because of the generous donations that they have provided to the Park.

The Glen Ellyn Park District and the Board of Commissioners recognized the Rotary Club of Glen Ellyn and Scott Park, the Club President, longtime resident of Glen Ellyn and an advocate and volunteer of the Park District, for the Rotary Club's generous contribution toward the Prairie Path Park beatification project.

VI. Public Participation

None

VII. Voucher List of Bills Totaling \$257,596.76

Commissioner Wilson moved, seconded by Commissioner Stortz, to approve the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$257,596.76

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Wilson, Stortz, Ward, Weber, Durham and President Nephew.

Nay: None.

Motion Carried.

VIII. Park District Finance Board Orientation (CFC/Superintendent of Finance Presenters)

Superintendent of Finance & Personnel Cinquegrani along with Leo Lanzillo, Chairman of the Citizens' Finance Committee (CFC), provided a presentation of an overview of the Glen Ellyn Park District's financial planning approach. Lanzillo and Cinquegrani provided a detailed account of the sources and uses of funds and the financial metrics that are used in the long-range planning and budgeting process. They discussed the various sources of funds; capital reserves, operating surplus and tax levies and how each impacts the budget and the long-range financial planning process.

Following the presentation the Park Board of Commissioners posed questions to Superintendent Cinquegrani and CFC Chairman Lanzillo and thanked them for their presentation.

IX. Strategic Planning Discussion

Executive Director Harris discussed that over the past several years a strategic planning session has been held during the summer months to discuss and prepare for the upcoming budget process. Harris stated that the meeting has helped to establish priorities that need to be addressed within the District as well as discussion regarding maintenance of its current assets and recreational services that are provided. Capital projects would be discussed at the strategic meeting along with additional topics that could possibly impact the District if they are enacted.

Board discussion ensued regarding possible dates to consider for the upcoming summer months. Harris stated that Executive Assistant Dikker would send out a follow up email with possible meeting dates and looks forward to the strategic planning session this summer.

X. Staff Reports

Executive Director Harris highlighted the recent Eblasts that the Park District distributed this past week and specifically mentioned activities that are being offered in the upcoming weeks - Movies in the Park, canoeing and kayaking, Jazz in the Park and Teen Splash Bash at Sunset.

Harris also stated that the Meet and Greet scheduled for June in Surrey Park will be cancelled and made up on another date to allow for greater opportunity for participation.

XI. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Cornell looks forward to the many upcoming events in the District and has had many compliments on Lake Ellyn Park. Commissioner Ward's family finished the last day of preschool and commended all of the teachers and the Glen Ellyn Park District preschool experience. Commissioner Weber stated it will be a busy weekend for Lacrosse at Newton Park this weekend and commended the outcomes of the games this past weekend from Lacrosse to Rugby. Commissioner Stortz stated the Phillies will be hosting a tournament at Ackerman Park this weekend. Commissioner Durham attended opening day at Sunset Pool and stated his family thoroughly enjoyed their time and commended the lifeguards. President Nephew also attended the pool over Memorial Day and attended the dedication of Prairie Path Park and hopes all comes to the Park to take advantage of the activities there.

XII. Adjourn to Executive Session

At 8:25 p.m. Commissioner Cornell moved, seconded by Commissioner Weber, to convene into executive session under Section 2 (c) 21 for the discussion of the minutes of prior executive session meetings, for the purpose of review, approval or release of such minutes.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Cornell, Weber, Ward, Wilson, Stortz, Durham and President Nephew
Nay: None.

Motion Carried.

XIII. Reconvene to Open Session

The Workshop Meeting reconvened at 8:44 p.m.

XIV. Adjourn

There being no further business, Commissioner Weber moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Weber, Durham, Cornell, Ward, Wilson, Durham and President Nephew
Nay: None.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Dikker
Board Secretary