

**Glen Ellyn Park District  
Board of Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
July 12, 2022  
185 Spring Avenue**

**I. Call to Order**

President Durham called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**II. Roll Call of Commissioners**

Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Cornell, Ward, Stortz, Bischoff, Nephew, and President Durham. Commissioner Cornell initially attended remotely and arrived in-person at 7:20 p.m.

Staff members present were Executive Director Harris, Deputy Director Cinquegrani, Superintendent of Planning and Natural Areas Troia.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Durham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. Changes to the Agenda**

None.

**V. Public Participation**

Anna Clarke, 2071 Nachtman Court, Wheaton, addressed the Board regarding a personnel matter with her son, Jason Clarke. Jason is employed at Maryknoll Park and Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center. She was concerned about the process the District undertook to investigate an operation matter and encouraged the Park District to implement improvements and oversight of its cash management procedures.

**VI. Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Stortz moved, seconded by Commissioner Bischoff, to approve the Consent Agenda including the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$356,108.52 and Minutes: June 21, 2022, Regular Meeting.

*Roll Call:           Aye:   Commissioners Stortz, Bischoff, Cornell, Ward, Nephew, and President Durham  
                      Nay:   None*

*Motion Carried.*

**VII. Unfinished Business**

**A. Lake Ellyn Shoreline Improvement Project payout request #5**

Superintendent Troia provided an overview of the Lake Ellyn Park Shoreline improvement project. The Lake Ellyn Shoreline project connects the boathouse to the existing floating pier with a wide permeable paver walkway. Providing access and additional seating opportunities directly adjacent to the lake edge. The existing stacked limestone retaining wall is being replaced with a stable engineered wall that retains the natural aesthetic.



Board was supportive and appreciative, providing constructive feedback including a suggestion to better define the proposed insignia.

Commissioner Stortz moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, I to approve the memorial concept as presented for Newton skatepark, with staff working out the specific details.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Stortz, Ward, Cornell, Bischoff, Nephew, and President Durham*

*Nay: None*

*Motion Carried.*

**C. Referendum Discussion**

Executive Director Harris and Superintendent Troia provided updates and pertinent information regarding the referendum.

As the referendum was successful, discussion focused on the preliminary implementation schedule along with engagement of outside consultants and public involvement.

A schedule of project implementation was presented. Also included were potential project management teams along with possible community engagement opportunities.

While the next few years will be busy and challenging, staff is excited at the opportunity for accelerated improvement of the many existing assets along with the new amenities included within the referendum scope. Additionally, the Park District Board of Commissioners should be commended for their leadership, direction, and community engagement during the past three (3) months. Finally, the Park District is grateful and appreciative of the trust, respect and support by the Glen Ellyn community displayed by their overwhelming approval. The outcome is further evidence of the Park District’s ongoing efforts over the many years to serve the community.

The Board of Commissioners expressed appreciation and complimented the staff for their efforts to educate and inform the community throughout the past several months.

**X. Staff Reports**

Harris mentioned that Village Green and Ackerman Park hosted two baseball and softball teams with nearly 250 games being played at each site. Compliments to the Park’s staff for their efforts to maintain and provide excellent playing conditions throughout the tournaments. Additionally, Harris highlighted the first Sumer Break at the Lake Concert and the Freedom 4 run along with the Park District’s efforts and support of the firework display. Troia followed by providing a brief update on the outdoor education programs.

**XI. Commissioners’ Reports**

Commissioner Cornell expressed her appreciation to the District and staff for their efforts regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities. Commissioner Stortz was complimentary of the staff's efforts regarding this past weekend's baseball and softball tournaments. Additionally, Stortz stated that he enjoyed the Summer Break at the Lake event and had received a lot of compliments and desire to have more of those type of programs. Commissioner Bischoff was excited about the referendum outcome and looks forward to the implementation of the projects. Commissioner Ward also was excited about the referendum outcome while expressing disappointment of the recent vandalism that occurred at the new Newton Park playground. Commissioner Nephew also was pleased about the referendum success and enjoyed the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities. President Durham concluded by complimenting the Freedom 4 run and the entire July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend.

**XII. Adjourn to Executive Session**

At 8:15 p.m. Commissioner Stortz moved, seconded by Commissioner Bischoff to convene into Executive Session. Under Section 2 (c) 6 of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of setting a price for the sale or lease of property owned by the District and under Section 2 (c) 1 for the discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel for the district.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Stortz, Bischoff, Cornell, Ward, Nephew, and President Durham  
Nay: None*

*Motion Carried.*

**XIII. Reconvene to Open Session**

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

**XV. Adjourn**

There being no further business, Commissioner Bischoff moved, seconded by Commissioner Nephew to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:46 p.m.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Bischoff, Nephew, Ward, Cornell, Stortz, and President Durham  
Nay: None*

*Motion Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Harris  
Board Secretary