COMMISSIONER RECOGNITION – COMMISSIONER DUNN

The Glen Ellyn Park Board of Commissioners recognized Richard Dunn for his service as a Park District commissioner the past four years along with his many volunteer efforts and overall dedication to the Glen Ellyn community over the last 25 years.

Commissioner Dunn was instrumental in many successful and positive outcomes within the Glen Ellyn Park District both fiscally and environmentally. His passion, dedication and desire to do what was in the best interest of the District were his most lasting achievements.

Commissioner Dunn not only served the patrons of the Park District but served the community of Glen Ellyn as well as a volunteer over the past 25 years. He was awarded with the Distinguished Service award for 2014 at the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce Community Awards Breakfast. He has served as an active member of the Kiwanis Club of Central DuPage County, a longtime member of the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce, as well as organizing the Welcome Center over 10 years ago serving the homeless community at First United Methodist Church in Glen Ellyn.

The Glen Ellyn Park District and Board of Commissioners acknowledged Commissioner Dunn with a token of appreciation for his service, commitment and accomplishments as a Park District commissioner along with his many years of volunteerism to Glen Ellyn.

ACKERMAN SPORTS AND FITNESS CENTER – ASSET REPLACEMENT PLAN RECOMMENDATION

Consistent with the Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center (ASFC) business plan and the long term asset replacement forecast for the facility, Jenny Clark, Facilities Manager at A.S.F.C., gave a detailed presentation of the fitness equipment that was recommended for purchase as budgeted for 2015. Ms. Clark discussed the need for updated technology, diversification and additional equipment to be added to the A.S.F.C. inventory in order for the Center to remain competitive, attract new members, and please current members. Staff recommended trading in several pieces of equipment and purchasing 7 new Treadmills, 3 new Crosstrainers, 3 new Ellipticals and 2 new Stair Masters thus increasing the Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center equipment with 5 additional pieces. After a brief discussion the Board approved the recommendation by staff. As a reminder the funds being expended for these purchases are from the ASFC asset replacement fund which is funded through operating surplus generated by ASFC.

LAKE ELLYN – PARK IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE

Executive Director Harris discussed the updates to the Lake Ellyn Park and Boathouse project. Harris presented a review of the project and how the project has progressed to the current Phase III stage. Since Phase III has begun, the project has continued to be refined largely based on budgetary restrictions due to the O.S.L.A.D. grant being on hold by the State of Illinois. Harris stated that at the
outset, the project and ideas with the master plan were very broad and conceptual as were the cost estimates. As the project has been refined and details and specifics have been determined this has allowed for more accurate and realistic pricing. Harris then listed the significant adjustments and elements to the Lake Ellyn Park and Boathouse project stating that many items have been removed while trying to maintain a cohesive and fairly complete project consistent with the master plan. Harris discussed in detail various elements to the plan including the addition of a seating wall extending the perimeter of the Boathouse serving not only as flood protection but also delineating the park usage from the Boathouse when needed. The creation of a 501 (C) 3 is almost complete and Harris stated that this foundation can possibly help to fund those elements that have been removed or are not included within this phase of the project.

The Park Board of Commissioners discussed the presentation and the proposed changes to the plan and looks forward to the progression of the project.