PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
A member of the public spoke to the Board regarding the Boathouse door located on the east side of the Boathouse. The patron would like to see the door to replicate that of the door in its original state. The Board had a brief discussion and stated that this topic will be forwarded to the next meeting as an agenda item to allow for additional discussion.

PATRON RECOGNITION – AHALYA LETTENBERGER
The Glen Ellyn Park District Board of Commissioners recognized Ahalya Lettenberger for her outstanding athletic accomplishments representing the USA at the Parapan American Games this past summer. President Nephew stated that the Parapan American Games offer athletes with disabilities from North, South and Central America the chance to compete in various sports.

Ahalya, who attends Glenbard West High School, won a gold medal in the 100-meter backstroke, took fourth place in the 400-meter freestyle with a personal best time and achieved personal best times in the 200-meter individual medley and 100-meter breaststroke. Ahalya started her swimming career back in 2008 where she participated in the Park District swim lesson program along with various other sports including softball and soccer. At age 11, Ahalya joined Wheaton Swim Club where she honed her skill and love of competitive swimming.

President Nephew stated that Ahalya was born with Arthrogyposis Amyoplasia, a muscular skeletal disorder that affects her legs and causes chronic hip pain. On the Team USA web page, Ahalya was described as an athlete who has never let her disability affect her tenacity, determination and competitive spirit. At age 12, she competed in her first para-swimming event, the GTAC Disability Open and less than a year later, at age 13, she was named to the US Emerging Team roster and was also a member of the 2014 Pan-Pacific Team USA roster.

President Nephew, the Board of Commissioners and staff of the Glen Ellyn Park District presented a small token of recognition to Ahalya Lettenberger for her outstanding accomplishments and for the pride she has brought to the Glen Ellyn community.

GLEN ELLYN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPECIAL EVENT PRESENTATION
Mike Formento, Director of the Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce, presented an overview of a new special event, “Chocolate, Cheese and Wine Tasting” that will be held Friday, November 20th from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Glen Ellyn. The event which is co-sponsored with the Glen Ellyn Park District, will offer an evening of wine, chocolate and cheese samples along with appetizers from local restaurants to the public for a nominal fee of which a portion will be directed towards the Park District’s Scholarship program. Formento thanked the Glen Ellyn Park District for their relationship and teamwork on this event and looks forward to its success.
2016 BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS DISCUSSION
Superintendent of Finance & Personnel Cinquegrani discussed that in preparing for the annual operating budget for 2016 a tentative timeline for the tax levy and chart of “Budget Assumptions” has been compiled. The chart of “Budget Assumptions” is meant as a preliminary step for the Board to provide staff with direction on select vital components of the annual operating budget.

The Park Board of Commissioners discussed components of the chart and look forward to discussing the capital projects in greater detail at the Strategic Meeting planned on Saturday, October 24th.

2015 TAX LEVY
Superintendent of Finance & Personnel stated that consistent with previous years, staff is recommending approving a tax levy ordinance for 2015 that encompasses the amount of tax dollars allowed under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL). Staff recommended levying an increase of 4.9% and after a brief discussion the Board approved Resolution 15-01 “Truth in Taxation Law” and approved placing the 2015 Tax Levy on file.

UPPER NEWTON FIELD TURF INSTALLATION PAYOUT REQUEST #2
Superintendent of Parks & Planning Hopkins stated that upon completion of the Turf Installation, staff recommends the final payout of the remaining 10% retainer to FieldTurf. The Park Board of Commissioners then approved the Newton Park Synthetic Turf Payout Request #2 to FieldTurf for the Newton Park Synthetic Turf Product and Installation in the amount of $35,592.13.

UPPER NEWTON FIELD SITE PREPARATION PAYOUT REQUEST #4
Superintendent of Parks & Planning Hopkins discussed that following the installation of the synthetic turf product a walkthrough of the site was conducted and punch list of outstanding items was created. Having addressed all items on the list, staff recommended approving the final payout request to Hoppy’s Landscaping in the amount of $91,202.60. After a brief discussion the Board approved the Newton Park Synthetic Turf Field - Field Site Preparation Payout Request #4 to Hoppy’s Landscaping in the amount of $91,202.60.

TENNIS COURTS RESURFACING BID RESULTS
Superintendent of Parks and Planning Hopkins stated that staff publically noticed invitations for bids asking contractors to provide pricing for goods and services for the resurfacing of the Newton Park tennis courts.
Four (4) sealed bids were received, opened, and read aloud at the bid opening on September 24 of which all were extremely competitive and came in lower than anticipated. Allstar Asphalt Inc. was the lowest bidder with a lump sum total of $47,215.00.

After further research of the project and discussion with Allstar Asphalt it was discussed that this project would be best served for the construction to occur in the spring, 2016. After discussion with Allstar Asphalt Inc., they have agreed to hold/honor their bid price until next spring. After meeting and checking references, staff recommended awarding the Newton Park Tennis Court Resurfacing Contract to Allstar Asphalt Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bid for an amount not to exceed $47,215.00 as it is within the 2015 budgeted allocation and the Board concurred.

LAKE ELLYN BOATHOUSE WINDOWS DISCUSSION
Executive Director Harris stated that after conversation with President Nephew it was determined to advance the decision regarding the window specification for the Boathouse renovation to be presented to the entire Board.

Harris presented a document provided on behalf of Farr & Associates of their recommendation in the window selection. Farr & Associates based their recommendation off of a matrix of comparisons involving historic preservation, warranty, energy conservation, maintenance, durability, cost and visual appearance. Four (4) window selections were discussed and compared and after a very lengthy discussion of the components of all selections it was decided by a majority to move ahead with Farr & Associates recommendation of a simulated divided lite window with an extended sill. This window selection is very close to the 1935 historic design, is more energy efficient, requires less maintenance, is a reasonable cost and visually reproduces the feel, scale, texture of the historic window system while satisfying Leed Certification Gold level.