Call to Order
President Minogue called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call of Commissioners
Upon roll call those answering present were Commissioners Schoen, Dallman, Jourdan, Taylor, Aubrey, Hess and President Minogue.

Staff members present were Executive Director Atwell, Executive Assistant Sesto, Communications and Marketing Supervisor Talenco, Superintendent of Finance & Personnel Woods, Superintendent of Recreation Esposito and Superintendent of Parks Scarmardo. Attorney Adams was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance
President Minogue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda
None

Consent Agenda
Commissioner Dallman moved, seconded by Commissioner Jourdan, to approve the Consent Agenda. Items for approval on the Consent Agenda were: Minutes of the March 17, 2009 Regular Meeting, April 7, 2009 Workshop Meeting and April 15, 2009 Special Meeting; Treasurer’s Report; Voucher List of Bills Totaling $1,853,604.41; Ackerman Sports Complex Pay Request Totaling $444,753.82; Village Green Park Phase II Lighting Final Pay Request Totaling $21,700.00; Earthwerks, Inc. Village Green Park Phase II Construction 8th Pay Request Totaling $36,010.65 and 2009/2013 Comprehensive Plan.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Dallman, Jourdan, Taylor, Aubrey, Hess, Schoen and President Minogue
Nay: None
Motion Passed

Public Participation
None

Unfinished Business
Lauterbach & Amen Presentation of 2008 Audit
Superintendent Woods introduced Ms. Kristin Kazenas, Manager of Audit Services, for Lauterbach & Amen.

When the previous audit was presented Ms. Kazenas explained at that time that the Park District would be submitting their audited financial statement to the Government Finance Officers Association, Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Their firm was confident that the Park District would receive the award and she was pleased to report that the Park District did receive the Certificate of Achievement. The Certificate is only awarded to units of government whose financial report is presented in an easily readable format with all of the required legal and governmental accounting standards components. It is a high honor for Ms. Woods as well as the Park District to receive the award. Lauterbach & Amen will be submitting the audit for the sub year ending December
31, 2008 and feel the Park District will qualify for the award again.

Ms. Kristin Kazenas presented the May 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 Audit Report and reported that the Park District received an unqualified opinion, which is the highest level opinion the Park District can receive on their financial statement.

Ms. Kazenas directed the Board’s attention to the Managements Discussion and Analysis section of the audit report which highlights the significant components of the financial statements and has summary information on the financial statements. Since the Park District was on a short fiscal year some of the year-to-year comparisons will be difficult but in the following years the information will be very useful to observe trends with the Park District’s financial information.

Commissioner Jourdan asked if with the Certificate of Achievement, on a scale of one to ten, if the audit would be a ten and Ms. Kazenas commented that it would be a ten. It is the highest award a government can receive for their financial report.

Ms. Kazenas thanked the Board for having her at the meeting and Ms. Woods and staff for having a well prepared audit package that helped them do an efficient audit.

The Board congratulated Superintendent Woods on achieving the Certificate of Achievement.

Commissioner Dallman commented that every single time the auditors are before the Board they are always complimentary of Ms. Woods on the way she had put the financial information together and each year it gets more efficient.

Ms. Woods thanked the Board saying she does not do all the work herself. Superintendents Esposito and Scarmardo work very hard putting their budgets together and the Board works with staff on the Tax Levy and Budget & Appropriation Ordinance. It is a team effort that culminates in someone coming from the outside to look at how they are doing. She felt the Board and staff were doing a very good job in being fiscally responsible with the funds that are intrusted to them.

Commissioner Aubrey felt another thing that is gratifying is the Park District changes auditors and the outcome is always the same. He congratulated Ms. Woods and staff.

Commissioner Jourdan moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to accept the May 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008 audit from Lauterbach & Amen.  

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Jourdan, Taylor, Aubrey, Hess, Schoen, Dallman and President Minogue  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

Public Hearing Concerning the Intent of the Board of Park Commissioners to Sell $4,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds

President Minogue opened the Public Hearing for comments and questions from the public pertaining to the Board’s intent to sell $4,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds.

Attorney Adams commented that the purpose of the Hearing was to meet the legal requirements established in the Bond Issue Notification Act. The purpose of the bonds is to support the existing capital program and the Hearing gives the public the opportunity to be made aware of the Board’s intent and provide any comments or testimony. The Hearing was properly noticed by publication in the Daily Herald and posting at the Park District.
Commissioner Jourdan moved, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, to close the Public Hearing on the Board’s intent to sell $4,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds.

**Roll Call:**

Aye: Commissioners Jourdan, Taylor, Aubrey, Hess, Schoen, Dallman and President Minogue  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

The Board agreed to direct Superintendent Woods to contact Speer Financial to advertise the bond sale.

**New Business**

**Western DuPage Special Recreation Association - April 2009 Executive Summary**

The executive summary is provided to WDSRA member park district boards to keep them up to date on association business.

Director Atwell reported Trent Tenhaus, Head Coach of WDSRA’s Windy City Warriors and Jason Stuppeleman had submitted their resignation so they can travel and coach overseas. Jane Hodgkinson, Executive Director, and her staff are sad to see both Trent and Jason leave WDSRA but are happy for them and wish them well on their adventure.

**Personnel/Contract**

Commissioner Schoen moved, seconded by Commissioner Hess, to approve the personnel contract for Cory Atwell as Executive Director of the Glen Ellyn Park District.

**Roll Call:**

Aye: Commissioners Schoen, Hess, Aubrey, Taylor, Jourdan, Dallman and President Minogue  
Nay: None  
Motion Carried

**Matters from Staff**

Superintendent Esposito reminded the Board of the May 2 Village Green Park rededication and announced that Panera Bread had agreed to sponsor the splash park bracelets again this year for $2,000. Ms. Esposito also announced that this was the last week for Intern Kathryn Wendland. Ms. Wendland is now looking for a full-time and in the meantime will be working for the Recreation Department on a part-time basis. The Churchill Park cleanup will be held Saturday, April 25.

Ms. Esposito reported she had been invited to sit on the Youth Sports Leaders of the Community of Glen Ellyn forum. It is a group coordinated by Sally Goggin and Bill Hupp and people on the forum are users of Park District facilities. Individuals from all the schools will be asked to be on the forum. The purpose of the group is to determine supply and demand because at this point there is more outdoor demand than supply. A spreadsheet or inventory will be put together of all the existing facilities, not just the Park District’s. Users will fill out a survey of what their needs are and the group will then look at how the needs fit with the existing facilities. The survey will also ask who will be wanting to use Ackerman Sports Complex. Everyone in the group is excited that there will be an indoor facility to use.

President Minogue suggested, and the Board agreed, to ask former Village President Greg Mathews to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony at Village Green since he was instrumental in making the lease agreement happen.

Superintendent Scarmardo gave an update on repairs at Sunset Pool due to the fire damage. The contractors are working very hard to complete their work and the carpenter is working on building the last two sheds. To date the approximate cost of repairs is $173,000.

Commissioner Dallman asked if the Police had any leads and Director Atwell commented that at this point they had none.
Superintendent Scarmardo also reported that the concrete curbs at Surrey Park were poured and the woodchips will be installed soon. At Ackerman the contractors have started working on the exterior brick and the second floor material will be delivered and installed soon.

Communications & Marketing Supervisor Talenco reported she had been very busy adding information to the Ackerman Sports Complex page on the Park District’s website. Staff had received requests for information and felt the best way to address that was to put all the information on the website for everyone to access.

Director Atwell commended Ms. Woods and all the staff for the receiving the Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting.

Director Atwell thanked those Board members who were able to attend the recent Chamber of Commerce awards breakfast.

Matters from Commissioners
Commissioner Aubrey congratulated Commissioner Schoen for being named Senior Citizen of the Year and acknowledging his commitment to the community.

Commissioner Aubrey asked if it was true Hadley Jr. High was not allowing the Park District to use their fields.

Director Atwell explained that it was not true. The difficulty is that the Park District cannot have the soccer goals in the middle of Hadley’s track area so when they are through with track, whether it be 5:30 or 6:00 p.m., Parks Department staff sets up the goals and has to remove them at 7:00 a.m. the next morning. That process is done three nights per week.

Commissioner Aubrey reported he had the benefit of meeting Dolores Knowles who has lived across from Churchill Park since 1957. In part of his effort to help Superintendent Scarmardo with an OSLAD grant he has been researching the history of the property. He felt Ms. Knowles was a special woman.

Director Atwell commented that Ms. Knowles was instrumental in the Park District acquiring both the Lighthart and Moorhouse properties which increased the size of Churchill Park. She had known the owners for many years and is a friend of the Park District.

While at the park Commissioner Aubrey saw where the townhouse development to the east is encroaching on Park District property and asked what was being done about that.

Director Atwell explained that it was the responsibility of the Village to take the necessary action to stop the development from dumping water into the park. It is against the law to daylight your sump pump onto Park District property.

Commissioner Aubrey reported he and gone to Technology Center of DuPage with Director Atwell and they will soon start building the Bells & Whistles and Boathouse replicas for the Safety Village facility in Maryknoll Park. Both should be completed by the end of May. He suggested visiting T.C.D. on the next Board tour of parks.
Commissioner Taylor thanked staff for their professionalism, their courtesy, their friendliness and being very good at their jobs. He thanked his fellow Board members for their support over the last four years and for the sense of pride they gave all of them in the accomplishments they have been able to do in those four years. He considered it an honor and privilege to serve on the Board and wished the new Board the best of luck going forward.

Commissioner Jourdan commented that it had been a pleasure serving on the Board and he enjoyed working with everyone. He has heard a lot of good things about the Ackerman Sports Complex and the renovation of Village Green Park.

Commissioner Dallman reported he too was approached by the youth sports leaders group and since his son is playing rugby he said he would represent it from the rugby perspective. The Glen Ellyn Ducks Rugby Club is planning on being at the Churchill Park cleanup. There will be 30 or 40 kids willing to work. The team draws boys from Glenbard West and South, St. Francis, Bennett and Glenbard East. He is amazed at the dedication of the volunteer coaches and as a way of saying thank you they offered the squad to do community service at Churchill Park.

Commissioner Dallman stated he was very humbled and honored to attend the Chamber of Commerce awards breakfast and had not realized all Commissioner Schoen had done for the community.

Commissioner Schoen dittoed Commissioner Taylor’s remarks and said it had been a joy for him to serve on the Board and work with the staff. The Chamber event was a very nice day and he thanked everyone for their comments.

President Minogue commented that the Chamber event was very special and what made it even more special for her was she did not know Commissioner Schoen was going to be honored. To Commissioners Schoen, Jourdan and Taylor, President Minogue said it had been a great time working together. They have had their differences but that just made them much better at what they do.

**Adjourn to Executive Session Meeting**
At 7:40 p.m. Commissioner Schoen moved, seconded by Commissioner Dallman, to convene into Executive Session under Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of “discussion of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District including discussion of whether a particular parcel should be acquired” and Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meeting Act for the purpose of “discussion of pending litigation or probable and imminent litigation which shall be specifically identified in the Executive Session Minutes”.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Schoen, Dallman, Jourdan, Taylor, Aubrey, Hess and President Minogue  Nay: None  Motion Carried

**Reconvene the Regular Meeting**
The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

**Adjourn**
There being no further business, at 8:20 p.m. Commissioner Jourdan moved, seconded by Commissioner Hess, to adjourn the Regular Meeting.  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanine Sesto, Board Secretary