I. Call to Order
President Kinzler called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Commissioners
Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Nephew, Creech, Mayo, Dunn, and President Kinzler. Commissioner Cornell and Commissioner Pierce arrived at 7:35 p.m.

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

III. Pledge of Allegiance
President Kinzler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Changes to the Agenda
None.

V. Public Participation
None.

VI. Voucher List of Bills Totaling $122,373.92
Commissioner Dunn moved, seconded by Commissioner Creech, to approve the voucher list of bills totaling $122,373.92.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Dunn, Creech, Nephew, Mayo and President Kinzler.
Nay: None.

Motion Carried.

VII. Glen Ellyn Park District Tree update
Tree & Emerald Ash Borer Update
Superintendent Hopkins reviewed the Tree & Emerald Ash Borer Update with the Board; he provided a PowerPoint presentation that talked about tree issues that have occurred as a result of the extreme cold this winter, along with an Emerald Ash Borer update and other tree related news.
Tree topics that were discussed included:

- Frost Cracks
- Southwest Injury
- Winter Burn
- Cold Susceptible Tree Species
- Benefits of Cold
- EAB Update
- Replacement Tree Planting
- Com Ed
- Tree Preservation

The Board discussed the 100 Tree Program and the potential partnership with the Village of Glen Ellyn to join the Suburban Tree Consortium. The Consortium is normally reserved for municipalities only, but Superintendent Hopkins will be attending their next meeting to see if the GEPD can become a member.

The Board thanked staff for all of their efforts toward tree care and preservation.

VIII. Director’s Report

Director Harris reminded the Board about the annual WDSRA benefit fundraiser event this Saturday evening. Also that same Saturday in the morning, a few Park Board members were attending the annual Glen Ellyn Chamber of Conference award ceremony at which time a Park District volunteer was to be recognized. Harris also complimented the staff for their efforts regarding implementing the new registration system. The transition has been very smooth so far. A decision on whether Lake Ellyn will be skateable again will be determined tomorrow, it has been a challenging, yet very rewarding, season. The District had 35 official days of skating in January and February. School District 87 passed the I.G.A. at their Board meeting on March 3rd.

Finally, the next meeting will have the preliminary reports for the dual facility study and the indoor aquatic feasibility study.

IX. Commissioner’s Report

Commissioner Dunn registered with the new registration system and found it to be fairly simple and user friendly. He complimented the Parks staff for their efforts this winter as it was extremely challenging because of the extreme winter conditions.

Commissioner Pierce also complimented the parks staff on their snow maintance. She brought up the potholes on the entry road into Ackerman and understood this will be an ongoing challenge until spring. Commissioner Pierce also was complimentary about the house league basketball season and liked the addition of the beverage stand at ASFC. Lastly, she stated that the Glen Ellyn Platform Tennis Board has requested to meet with President Kinzler and her regarding membership ideas and means to grow the program.

Commissioner Mayo was excited to see the registration system being implemented. He also mentioned the Citizen’s Finance Committee would be meeting on March 18th prior to the Park Board meeting.
Commissioner Cornell was complimentary of an article that appeared in the Glen Ellyn Patch regarding the Park District new registration system.

President Kinzler was recently at ASFC and witnessed ongoing baseball registration taking place. Also, he inquired about the transition of ASFC membership registration from the current system to ActiveNet. He wanted to make sure staff implemented the transition at a time that would be less vulnerable to members cancelling their memberships rather than redo their paperwork. Staff has discussed this and will certainly devise a plan to diminish any risk of that happening.

X. Adjourn to Executive Session
At 8:05 p.m. Commissioner Dunn moved, seconded by Commissioner Pierce to convene into executive session under Section 2 (c) 1 of the Open Meeting Act for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel for the district.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Dunn, Pierce, Nephew, Cornell, Creech, Mayo and President Kinzler.

Nay: None.

Motion Carried.

XI. Return to Open Session
Reconvene the Workshop Meeting
The Workshop Meeting reconvened at 9:35p.m.

XII. Adjourn
There being no further business, Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Dunn to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at 9:36p.m.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Harris
Board Secretary