MONARCH BUTTERFLY RESOLUTION – RESOLUTION #17-01
The Glen Ellyn Park District was approached by the DuPage Monarch Project, a local group working to support Monarch conservation, requesting that the Park District adopt a Resolution to support and expand available habitats for Monarch butterflies and other native pollinators. Naturalist Frigo discussed the many Monarch conservation projects and programs that have been provided for the community over the past few years.

Connie Schmidt of the DuPage Monarch Project spoke and stated that this Resolution would reinforce the Glen Ellyn Park District’s commitment to supporting and enhancing the Monarch butterfly population and praised the Glen Ellyn Park District’s leadership in this cause. The Park Board of Commissioners posed a few questions to Ms. Schmidt regarding Monarch conservation and then approved Resolution #17-01 “A Resolution Authorizing The Glen Ellyn Park District To Enhance And Expand Available Habitat For Monarch Butterflies And Other Pollinators”.

WIGHT CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT
Executive Director Harris discussed the various components of the Lake Ellyn Park Improvement Project from fruition. Harris stated that certain elements were deferred from the 2016 improvement project as a significant source of funding ($400,000 O.S.L.A.D. matching grant) was suspended by Governor Rauner when he took office. After completion of the Boathouse restoration, the Park District was notified that funding for the O.S.L.A.D. grant was to be reinstated in the coming months.

Harris discussed the elements of the O.S.L.A.D. grant that were included in the previous plans provided with direction from Conservation Design Forum (CDF). In anticipation of implementation of the O.S.L.A.D. project, staff recommended engaging Wight Construction to provide management services on this project. The Park Board of Commissioners discussed Wight’s involvement with the project to date, discussed the fees involved and questioned the fees for compilation of the bid packages and the management services fee of $57,180 for the O.S.L.A.D. component project. Director Harris stated that the fees fall within the specifications of the O.S.L.A.D. grant and after further favorable discussion the recommendation of construction management services with Wight Construction will advance to the Regular Board meeting on February 21, 2017 for formal approval.

LAKE ELLYN PARK IMPROVEMENT BID RESULTS DISCUSSION
Superintendent of Parks & Planning Hopkins stated that the legal bid notice for the Lake Ellyn Park Improvements (O.S.L.A.D.) project was publically noticed on January 17, 2017 and bids were opened and publically read on Wednesday, February 1st. This portion of the Lake Ellyn Master plan will involve playground replacement, fishing pier, interpretive and landmark signage, reconfiguration of paths, park amenities, vegetative restorers and landscape improvements.

The bid packages were divided amongst five (5) various trades including concrete, electrical, playground

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installation, landscaping and signage. Staff along with Wight Construction conducted a full review of all bids and presented their findings to the Park Board. The Park Board of Commissioners had a discussion of the various elements and monetary amounts of the presented bids and upon full review of the individual bids and references of the various contractors by staff, approval will be advanced to the Regular Board Meeting held on February 21, 2017.

TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT POLICY UPDATE-ORDINANCE #17-01
Superintendent of Finance & Personnel Cinquegrani stated that the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act (Public Act 099-0604), which went in to effect last year, requires all local governments to update its travel reimbursement policy prior to June 29, 2017. Subsequent to this memo is Ordinance 17-01 which would repeal two sections of the park district policy manual (Exhibit A - regulating employee travel reimbursements and Exhibit B – regulating Board of Commissioners travel reimbursements) and replacing those policies with the new updated policy which satisfies the new requirements. The updated policy (Exhibit C) has been drafted by park district legal counsel and has been recommended for formal Board approval.

The Park Board of Commissioners had a brief discussion of this proposed policy and will hold a formal approval of this amended policy at the Regular Meeting held on February 21, 2017.