



# Board of Commissioners Workshop Meeting Highlights

May 1, 2018

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ADVISORY POSITIONS**

The Glen Ellyn Park Board of Commissioners held their election of officers. Commissioner Weber was elected as the new Park Board President, Commissioner Ward as Vice President and Commissioner Durham as Treasurer. Other appointments included Dave Harris as Executive Director and the WDSRA (Western DuPage Special Recreation Association) representative, Executive Assistant Kimberly Dikker as Board Secretary and Ancel Glink as Legal Counsel.

Following the election of officers and appointment of positions, the Park Board held discussion of the advisory positions on the various committees. President Weber stated he would be stepping down from the Citizens' Finance Committee and Commissioner Nephew said she would step in dependent on her current work schedule while Commissioner Wilson would remain on that committee. Commissioners Stortz and Durham would remain as Co-Chairs on the Ackerman Advisory Committee while Commissioners Stortz and Weber would remain on the Athletic Advisory Committee. Commissioners Ward and Cornell would remain on the Environmental Advisory Committee and Cornell would also serve as the liaison to the Friends of Glen Ellyn Parks Foundation.

## **SHOWMOBILE JOINT PURCHASING PROPOSAL**

Superintendent of Parks & Planning Hopkins stated that the "Bandshell" has been designated to be replaced from the fleet in 2018 per the Vehicle & Equipment program of the Asset Replacement Fund (ARF). Hopkins explained that the vehicle has exceeded its useful life and recent inspections have revealed significant repairs will be required soon. Annual contributions have been made to the ARF and the replacement Bandshell or Showmobile is fully funded by these contributions.

Staff has researched five (5) different portable stages to compare pricing, ease of operation, functionality, appearance and durability. After significant research, staff has recommended the Wegner Showmobile as its price quote of \$134,296.00 falls within the budgeted purchase price of \$150,000.00 and offers many of the amenities that staff requires. The Wegner Corporation is a member of The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) which allows public agencies and non-profits to reap the benefits of nationally leveraged pricing.

The Board had a brief discussion on the current Bandshell and the new Showmobile and will direct questions to staff if needed otherwise will look to formally approve at the regular Board meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **ACKERMAN SPORTS & FITNESS PARKING LOT BID RESULTS**

Superintendent of Parks & Planning Hopkins stated the legal bid for the Ackerman & Churchill Park Parking Lot & Maintenance Drive Improvements was publicly noticed on Thursday, April 3 and was opened on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> with eleven (11) bids being received. Hopkins discussed the details of the Base Bid for the project including materials, labor, and equipment to remove the existing parking lot and replace with

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asphalt and permeable pavers as well as new lighting and using best management practice elements. Also discussed was Bid Alternate #1 which consists of removal and reconstruction of Ackerman Road, curbing and sidewalk and Bid Alternate #2 which is the reconstruction of the bridge and service drive at Churchill Park. Hopkins said eleven (11) bids were received and identified that Chicagoland Paving was the lowest Bid total of Base plus Alternatives in the amount of \$487,710.25.

Hopkins then discussed the amount, dollars budgeted, and other money included in the funding stating that the final amount is overbudget in the amount of \$51,342. Hopkins discussed in detail the changes that were required by the Village and addition of permeable paver and bioswales to the plan that led to the increase in final cost. The Board had a discussion of the project and posed questions to staff. Executive Director Harris stated that staff would provide answers to their questions and the item will be listed separately on the May 15 regular Board meeting agenda, so further discussion if needed can take place and formal action can be pursued.

## **ACKERMAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS**

Executive Director Harris stated that in 2018, the Glen Ellyn Park District has begun the process to improve Ackerman Park with the goal of construction initiating in mid-summer 2019. Harris said that Kimley-Horn, a landscape architectural firm, has been secured and a planning committee consisting of stakeholders, Board and staff has been organized and have begun the preliminary task of determining priorities for Phase IV of the masterplan as the master plan as a whole, exceeds the amount of allocated/assigned funds in 2019.

A brief overview of the 2014 masterplan was provided and a project overview and proposed timeline was presented to the Board. Harris said some of the recommendations of the masterplan have been implemented to date including new and realigned athletic lights and increased green space. Harris presented the outcome from meetings of the planning committee highlighting the conditions and challenges of Ackerman Park and displayed some of the potential features and elements of surrounding Parks that could be incorporated. Other committee recommendations were presented to the Board along with preliminary cost estimates of \$3.4 million along with a proposed schedule. Committee recommendations included improvements to the softball Hub, new restroom, storage and shelter structure within the hub center, replacing softball field #5 and #6 backstops and fencing, installing an oversize synthetic turf field under the existing lights, improving the natural grass areas, installing walking and running paths within lower Ackerman and including Best Management Practices (BMP) within lower Ackerman including bioswales, permeable pavement within public areas and tree additions.

Following the presentation, the Park Board had a lengthy discussion on the various elements and recommendations that were proposed. Director Harris asked for direction from the Board to move forward with a Public Meeting to further discuss proposed elements of the Ackerman Park Project as reflected in the overall Ackerman Masterplan and as discussed within the planning committee. The

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Commissioners provided feedback regarding many of the elements and consensus was reached to advance the committee's recommendations to a public meeting. Director Harris said staff would address the questions that were presented and begin preparation for a public meeting to take place within the next several weeks.

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