

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting Highlights January 15, 2019



RECOGNITION – BOATHOUSE STAFF

The Park Board of Commissioners recognized Dan Tripp and Ken McEwen for their outstanding service and dedication to the Glen Ellyn Park District. Both Dan and Ken have been working for the Glen Ellyn Park District for over 9 years in many different capacities with a variety of responsibilities.

Both began working as Facility Supervisors at the Lake Ellyn Boathouse in 2014 and continue to work many shifts at the Boathouse throughout the year securing the facility, assisting renters with any needs they may have, unloading and loading of equipment and material for the private parties, setting up the facility, and cleaning the Boathouse at the conclusion of the events. They both provide exemplary customer service and have received rave reviews from attendees of which some were read at the meeting.

Ken and Dan also contribute to other areas within the Park District working as scorekeepers and site supervisors for the Adult Basketball league, Softball, Youth Basketball and Soccer Leagues; Field Marshals during soccer season at Ackerman Park; Groundskeepers at weekend athletic tournaments; and special event staff at many of the District's community wide special events.

It was stated that both have full-time positions elsewhere along with active families and Ken and Dan both are selfless in their duties with tremendous work ethic and take on an ownership mentality within their many roles in the District. President Weber, the Park Board of Commissioners and staff presented a small token of appreciation and thanked them for their outstanding service and dedication to the community.

WDSRA REVIEW & UPDATE

The Park Board of Commissioners welcomed the Western DuPage Special Recreation (WDSRA) Executive Director, Sandy Gbur, as she provided a brief overview and update regarding the organization. She stated that W.D.S.R.A. is a recreation agency serving those with special needs and provide support and assistance to people who reside in nine park districts including Glen Ellyn and services well over 4500 children and adults. Gbur provided some insight into the various programs and events that WDSRA provides and shared their heartfelt stories. She discussed the Rec and Roll Adult program that occurs at five (5) sites including the Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center and stated that are all at full service capacity. This program services high school through adulthood and takes place 50 weeks out of the year. Ms. Gbur discussed their inclusion support, their continued efforts and challenges in recruiting and hiring seasonal staff, and their honor of earning both the highest safety award with PDRMA's Accreditation and Best Practices and the financial GFOA award for the 12th year in a row. Ms. Gbur thanked the Glen Ellyn Park District and supporters of their program for their continued support and donations over the years and the Park Board thanked Ms. Gbur for the insight into such a wonderful and worthwhile organization.

IMET TOLLING AGREEMENT

The Glen Ellyn Park District Board of Commissioners approved an extension to the Tolling Agreement regarding the ongoing situation involving the Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund (IMET). The Tolling Agreement was previously negotiated between attorneys representing participants and IMET to preserve all potential claims that may be available to all parties, notwithstanding the passage of time, including

applicable statutes of limitation and allowing the timeline to file a claim. The original Tolling Agreement was extended to January 2017 and again in January 31, 2018. The Board had a brief discussion of the ongoing case and approved an extension of the Tolling Agreement through January 31, 2020 at which time all parties should have more information on additional disbursement of assets.

ACKERMAN PARK IMPROVEMENTS-BID RESULTS DISCUSSION & APPROVAL

Executive Director Harris provided an overview of the efforts to review and plan for improvements to Ackerman Park beginning in 2013 with the development of the park masterplan to implementing some of the smaller scale elements such as trail connection to the Great Western Trail and the increasing of green space and now advancing to possibly constructing significant elements of the masterplan.

For Phase IV, a planning committee was created to determine priorities of the master plan as the available funds could not support the entire plan. Harris presented those recommendations. Based on these priorities, Wight Construction and Kimely-Horn, who were retained earlier in the process, divided the total scope of work into five (5) project bid packages. On December 10, 2018 and January 8, 2019 (irrigation), 31 contractors submitted bids for the five (5) packages with a total cost for the recommended elements equaling \$3,495,081 which included construction activities (\$2,951,735), professional services and permit fees (\$398,346) and a contingency allowance of (\$145,000). The bids per the recommendation including contingency are less than 3% over budget and staff and the consulting team are confident that the project was bid competitively and favorably and that the recommendation with the reduced scope remains favorable for the District to address most of the identified priorities.

Staff provided and reviewed the project budget, information regarding the project schedule and information on the purchase of the artificial turf along with a list of recent FieldTurf local installations.

The Park Board discussed the various elements of proposed plan and following the discussion the Park Board awarded contract(s) for:

Bid Package #1 Excavation and Site Utilities for the Ackerman Park Improvement project to Hoppy's Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of \$944,441

Bid Package #2 Site Concrete for the Ackerman Park Improvement project to Lindblad Construction Company in the amount of \$399,900

Bid Package #2 Site concrete / alternate Bid #1 in the amount of \$64,500 to Lindblad Construction Company to be deferred to 2020 and subject to available funds

Bid Package #3 Fencing for the Ackerman Park Improvement project to Action Fence Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$546,780

Bid Package #3 Fencing / alternate Bid #1 in the amount of \$163,385 to Action Fence Contractors, Inc. to be deferred to 2020 and subject to available funds

Bid Package #4 Landscaping for the Ackerman Park Improvement project to Breezy Hill Nursery, Inc. in the amount of \$393,400

Bid Package #5 Irrigation for the Ackerman Park Improvement project to Aqua Design, Inc. in the amount of \$356,386

Synthetic Turf Purchase & Installation for the Ackerman Park improvement project to FieldTurf in the amount of \$453,828