

**Glen Ellyn Park District
Board of Commissioners
Workshop Meeting
August 4, 2020
185 Spring Avenue**

I. Call to Order

Board Secretary, Kimberly Dikker, announced that all Commissioners were participating in the August 4, 2020 Workshop meeting remotely via Zoom and all verified that they were able to hear the discussion clearly. Vice President Durham then called the remote Zoom meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Commissioners

Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Stortz, Nephew, Bischoff and Vice President Durham. Commissioner Cornell connected via Zoom at 7:09 p.m. and Commissioner Weber and President Ward were absent.

Staff members attending via Zoom but located at the Spring Avenue Recreation Center were Executive Director Harris and Parks Project Manager Troia. Superintendent of Finance & Personnel Cinquegrani and Executive Assistant/Board Secretary Dikker were participating remotely.

III. Changes to the Agenda

None.

IV. Public Participation

Executive Director Harris stated that there was no public participation, but he did receive calls from two patrons advocating for additional Pickleball courts within the District. Harris did answer their questions and stated this would be discussed during our Strategic Meeting this year and welcomed them to attend a board meeting in the future if they so desired.

V. Voucher List of Bills

Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Bischoff, to approve the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$171,642.37.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Nephew, Bischoff, Stortz, and Vice President Durham
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

VI. Coronavirus (COVID-19) update

Executive Director Harris provided an overview of the Districts programs this past month stating that staff continues to adhere to the protocols and guidelines in accordance with the State of Illinois Phase 4: Revitalization Plan.

Harris said Ackerman has experienced increased usage during July and provided details of the various programs, athletic camps and philanthropic events that have been held. Harris reviewed the cleaning and protocols set in place at Ackerman and commended the part time help that has been instrumental in the success of these programs.

Harris said golf rounds and the splash pad have been well attended since their opening. He relayed that patrons have been very appreciative of the opportunity for recreation. Main Street Recreation Center will be opening the beginning of September when preschool returns and the Spring Avenue Recreation Center front desk remains open to the public. The Lake Ellyn Boathouse rentals remain slow as many have deferred their rentals to later in the year or extended to next year.

Harris reviewed a few of the recreation programs stating that people have been very appreciative of these offerings for their children. The Preschool program was discussed and Harris discussed the new implementations for the classrooms and the need to cancel the 2 Plus and Not Quite 2 Plus classes. The Park Board inquired on the enrollment and Harris said the numbers were down and classes were being consolidated to ensure that classrooms have enough students to operate safely while being fiscally responsible.

Harris said the largest change has been within Athletics. Following the Governor's revised guidelines with athletics and changes to the IHSA guidelines further direction has been provided for fall sports. The new guidelines are expected to impact fall athletic programs and Harris reviewed the guidelines and then discussed several of the programs. Football and Flag Football have been cancelled and the District is working on offering some training or skills programs possibly aligned with Glenbard South and/or West. House and Travel Soccer is being reviewed as they adjust to the guidelines. Baseball and Softball have experienced good numbers of participants in their programs and other athletics were also discussed. Harris stated that staff is comfortable offering the programming under the revised guidelines and is pleased to be able to provide athletic recreation for the fall.

Lastly Harris stated that the September and October playbook was released with registration beginning on August 3rd. While registration has been slow, the programs are still a few months away. The Park Board had a brief discussion on the programs and all were pleased that the District is engaging the community in so many ways.

VII. IMRF Resolution 20-03

Cinquegrani presented that in June, the Park District was notified by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) that the district was randomly selected for an audit to assure compliance with employee enrollment and proper wage reporting. The audit was recently completed with only minor findings.

Cinquegrani stated one of the notable items was the requirement for the Board of Commissioners to adopt a resolution authorizing the Park District to include cash incentives

paid to employees in lieu of full-time staff opting to waive health insurance coverage. It was stated that the District utilizes this practice and earnings have been reported as IMRF earnings but IMRF now requires all governing bodies to adopt a resolution to authorize these incentives as IMRF earnings.

Following Commissioner Bischoff motioned, seconded by Commissioner Stortz, to approve Resolution 20-03 "IMRF Suggested Resolution to Include Cash Payments Related to Health Insurance as IMRF Earnings".

VIII. Ackerman Payout Request #12

Executive Director Harris presented the Ackerman Park Phase IV Improvement Project Payout Request #12 from Wight Construction. Harris provided a status of the project stating that the project is nearing completion and this was the last significant payout. Following a brief discussion, Commissioner Stortz moved, seconded by Commissioner Bischoff, to approve Wight Construction payout request #12 for the Ackerman Park Phase IV Improvements-Construction Management Services in the amount of \$201,880.99.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Stortz, Bischoff, Cornell, Nephew, and Vice President Durham
Nay: None

Motion Carried.

IX. Staff Reports

Harris stated that staff continues to work hard and shows resilience in adjusting to the ever-changing environment. Harris said the Park District in collaboration with the YMCA are still in discussions with Glen Ellyn School District 41 in offering a remote site for students during the school year. While it has been challenging it is near resolution. Contingency plans are being discussed as well should all day programming be needed.

X. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Stortz appreciates the efforts of the District and inquired on the financial impact with the latest change in guidelines for athletics. Superintendent of Finance and Personnel Cinquegrani responded that this is still to be determined and that this will be discussed at a Strategic Meeting and during the Budget process which begins in early September following the Citizens' Finance Committee (CFC) meeting in late August. Commissioner Nephew inquired on the status of Fall Fete saying we need to be creative and conservative at this time. Commissioner Bischoff was grateful that we continue to service the community and keep everyone connected. Commissioner Cornell commended staff and said the community is appreciative of their efforts. Commissioner Durham echoed all of these sentiments and thanked staff for their resiliency during this time.

XI. Adjourn

There being no further business, Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Bischoff to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:59 p.m.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Stortz, Bischoff, Cornell, Nephew, and Vice President
Durham
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Dikker
Board Secretary