

Friends of Glen Ellyn Parks Foundation Meeting

August 10, 2021

185 Spring Avenue

7:00 p.m.

Minutes

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

**II. Foundation Roll Call**

Executive Director Harris called the Foundation meeting to order and those present responded; Glen Ellyn Park District Executive Director Harris, Glen Ellyn Park District Executive Assistant Kimberly Dikker, Park Board Commissioner Paul Bischoff, Foundation President Jonathan Huard, Foundation member Tim Clark and guest Dan Minkus. Commissioner Cornell arrived at 7:54 p.m.

**III. Old Business**

**A. Fall Fete**

Executive Assistant Dikker provided an update on the status of the Fall Fete “Whiskey, Wine and Whimsey” event providing that it has been postponed until April 30, 2022. Dikker then provided an update on past Sign-up events that have brought awareness to the Scholarship program and to the Fall Fete event. Dikker shared information on upcoming events including the Holiday Lights Trolley Tour and the 50/50 Raffle and “Whiskey, Wine and Whimsy” raffles that will take place in November on what would have been the date of the signature Fall Fete event. All were happy of the success of the events and look forward to further discussion of future events.

Foundation members also discussed other opportunities to broaden exposure of the Scholarship program and opportunities to reach those in need and to educate them of our opportunities for aid.

**B. National Association of Parks Foundation**

Executive Director Harris discussed information from a meeting that was held with a National Association of Parks Foundation representative and briefed all on that meeting. President Huard stated that the NAPF is a good source for Foundation resource information should we need additional aid for our Foundation. Other pay for fee programs that were discussed are not needed at this time. Staff will continue to research necessary resources available through the National Association of Parks Foundation.

**IV. New Business**

**A. Potential Members**

Executive Director Harris discussed potential members for the Foundation that have been suggested; Mike VandeWoestyn, who is the current President of the Glen Ellyn Platform Tennis Club and Tom Melms who has children involved in the Glen Ellyn soccer programs. Expanding membership and achieving diversity among the Foundation was discussed and will continue to be a goal for members.

**B. Park District Update Presentation**

Executive Director Harris presented a Park District Update Presentation that provides an overview of our organization, our support for the community, and our events and programs offered to our residents. Harris stated that this was created with our Marketing department to display our many efforts portrayed over the last 18 months and will be used during a presentation to the Rotary Club of Glen Ellyn

so that they can be familiar with the Park District's programming and support that the District provides to the surrounding community.

**IV. Other Matters**

Director Harris and others discussed possible dates for the next meeting. Commissioner Cornell asked to start the next meeting at 7:30 p.m. and following all agreed upon meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Lastly, Commissioner Bischoff moved, seconded by Executive Assistant Dikker to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2021, Foundation meeting and all voted aye.

**V. Adjourn**

The Foundation meeting adjourned at approximately 8:55 p.m.