

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Highlights July 12, 2022



Lake Ellyn Shoreline Improvement Project payout request #5

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The payout request in the amount of \$82,970 is from Integral Construction Inc., which is the general contractor for this project.

This payout represents the work completed for the month of June. Progress was made during that time with construction of the retaining wall, concrete reinforcement, and concrete footers for the seat walls installed. To date, the project is approximately 60% complete. The total contract sum to date is \$383,531. Previous payments total \$109,044. The Balance to finish, including retainage is \$191,517. As a reminder, this project is completely funded by an anonymous donation.

During the second week of June, much progress was made on the retaining wall which is now completely installed. **The gravel backfill is continuing to be a challenge with the Statewide union strike, making it very challenging to source stone.** Once the gravel backfill is installed, concrete curbing and pavers can be installed and finish up the project.

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Skate Park Memorial Proposal

GEPD staff has had ongoing discussions with a contingency of Glen Ellyn local skateboarders who had previously approached staff about a memorial opportunity at Newton Park. This group, and the person they are commemorating, are long-time users of the skatepark.

They are proposing a unique metal plaque approximately 12"x14" set in a boulder, with trees on either side. At the Board meeting, the local skateboarder group will present proposed artwork for the sign, samples of materials and further background on process. The group will also be proposing a donation to the District. The group has been very engaged in both this effort and the design improvements for the upcoming Skate Park renovation. Throughout, staff has worked with them to be respectful of the groups intention while the also implementing a benefit to the community.

Hunter Brown, a longtime user of the Skate Park, spoke on behalf of the group advocating and organizing the memorial effort. The recognition a decorative boulder (approx. 4x4) with a plaque including text as presented. The boulder would be placed amongst trees along the southeast corner of the skate park. The boulder and plaque are estimated to cost \$9,000 (approx.). In addition, the group would contribute an additional \$3,000 towards the skate park improvements that are to be implemented this fall.

Board was supportive and appreciative, providing constructive feedback.

Referendum

As the referendum was successful, discussion focused on the preliminary implementation schedule along with engagement of outside consultants and public involvement.

A schedule of project implementation was presented. Also included were potential project management teams along with possible community engagement opportunities.

While the next few years will be busy and challenging, staff is excited at the opportunity for accelerated improvement of the many existing assets along with the new amenities included within the referendum scope. Additionally, the Park District Board of Commissioners should be commended for their leadership, direction, and community engagement during the past three (3) months. Finally, the Park District is grateful and appreciative of the trust, respect and support by the Glen Ellyn community displayed by their overwhelming approval. The outcome is further evidence of the Park District's ongoing efforts over the many years to serve the community.

The Board of Commissioners expressed appreciation and complimented the staff for their efforts to educate and inform the community throughout the past several months.