# **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

# Workshop Meeting Highlights October 4, 2022



## Introduction of new Glen Ellyn Park District Staff

Earlier this year, several staff departures led to organizational adjustments with existing staff assuming added and/or new responsibilities to fill the voids and continue to provide Glen Ellyn residents with outstanding recreational programs and services. While challenging, the District persevered and successfully navigated the summer and beginning of fall programming, received approval from the community for a \$15.9 million referendum, continued several ongoing capital projects and began planning for the future. With that being said, the District is pleased to welcome a number of new additions to our team so that the District can continue to build upon those successes moving forward. We are excited for them to join us and look forward to the positive impact that they will have on the District and community.

#### Natural Areas and Outdoor Education Update including review of 2022 and preview of 2023

Natural Areas and Education Manager Gutmann along with Environment Outreach Specialist Bellmar and Ecological Restoration Technician Matz gave a brief presentation highlighting some of the past year's accomplishments and a look ahead to the future of our Natural Areas and Outdoor Education.

#### Lake Ellyn Park Shoreline Improvements Payout Request #7

Superintendent Troia provided an overview of the Lake Ellyn Park Shoreline improvement project. The Lake Ellyn Shoreline project connects the boathouse to the existing floating pier with a wide permeable paver walkway. Providing access and additional seating opportunities directly adjacent to the lake edge. The existing stacked limestone retaining wall is being replaced with a stable engineered wall that retains the natural aesthetic. The payout request #7 for the Lake Ellyn Shoreline Improvements in the amount of \$127,767. This payout is from Integral Construction Inc., which is the general contractor for this project.

The total contract sum to date \$383,531. Previous payments total \$212,910. The Balance to finish, including retainage is \$42,853. As a reminder, this project is completely funded by an anonymous donation.

#### **George Ball Tennis Courts Renovation Bid Results**

Superintendent Troia informed the board that on September 12th, staff publicly noticed invitations for bid, requesting contractors to provide proposals for Tennis Court improvements at George Ball Park. The base bid scope of work included repair and resurfacing existing courts, color coating, adding pickleball lines to east courts and new nets.

The bid opening for the George Ball Tennis Courts was conducted on September 28th, at which time (2) sealed bids were received, opened, and read aloud.

Accu-Paving Co. submitted the lowest lump sum bid of \$264,995. The submitted bid was vetted and found to be complete. Including a full scope review with the engineer.

Accu-Paving, Co. completed the improvements at Sunset Tennis Courts, Spring Avenue Safety and Newton Basketball Court most recently. They performed well in a timely manner on previous projects, are good to work with and excellent communicators.

#### 2022 Tax Levy

Superintendent of Finance and Personnel Cinquegrani stated that consistent with previous years, staff is recommending approving a Tax Levy Ordinance for 2022 that encompasses the amount of tax dollars allowed under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL). Staff recommended an increase of 4.95% and after a brief discussion the Board approved Resolution 22-05 "Truth in Taxation Law" and approved placing the 2022 Tax Levy on file.

#### **2023 Budget Assumptions**

Preparation for the annual operating budget for calendar year 2023 is underway. At this time, staff is beginning to compile the first draft of the operating budget and is hopeful a first draft can be delivered to the Board in mid-November.

2023 Budget Assumptions chart is meant as talking points for the Board to provide staff with direction on select vital components of the annual operating budget. Board consensus on these topics will be helpful in compiling a first draft of the budget. Lastly, in place is a tentative timeline of the 2022 tax levy, the 2023 budget process, amendment of the 2022 budget ordinance, and proposed timelines of referendum and non-referendum bond issues. Please keep in mind these dates can be adjusted as we move through the process.

### 2023 - 2025 Project(s) Update

The Glen Ellyn Park District referendum request for \$15.9 million to repair, improve and expand facilities, upgrade four park properties throughout the district, and purchase additional land for parks was approved in June of 2022. Additionally, there are other significant projects, including the Frank Johnson Center replacement is currently in progress.

All construction is expected to be completed within 3.5 years and staff has begun the process of implementation. To keep the Board informed of progress, a brief update, including scope and schedule, will be provided on the following projects:

- Frank Johnson Center
- Ackerman Gymnastics
- Sunset Pool