

# BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Regular Meeting Highlights October 18, 2022



### **Appointment of New Commissioner**

The Glen Ellyn Park District is pleased to announce that Mary Crickmore has been selected to fill the vacant Board of Commissioners position at the Park District. Mary is a longtime resident of Glen Ellyn, having graduated from Glenbard West High School in the early 70's. She then went to Wheaton College for her undergraduate degree and received a master's degree in public administration from American University. She just retired after working for World Renew for 37 years which provided international relief and development charity. Mary and her family lived abroad for many years as part of her career obligations.

Mary and her husband Scott reside in Carol Stream but is within the Glen Ellyn Park District boundaries. Over the years, Mary and her family including two grown children and grandchildren, utilized the Park District and still do! She values the services and resources that the Park District provides and looks forward to the implementation of the referendum projects.

As a reminder, in August 2022 Glen Ellyn Park District Board Commissioner Paul Bischoff Jr. moved outside the Park District boundaries. To fill the void, the Park District conducted a search for potential candidates to serve as Park District Commissioner for approximately six months until the next Park District Commissioner election, which will take place in April 2023.

As part of the process to fill the vacancy, the Glen Ellyn Park District posted the announcement on its website and social media along with numerous news publications. Several qualified, civic-minded and community-oriented candidates applied for the opportunity. All applications were reviewed and a select few were chosen to be interviewed.

### **Oath of Office – Mary Crickmore**

The newly elected Commissioner Crickmore was given Oath of Office for the Glen Ellyn Park District to serve a term until May 2023.

### **New Business**

#### **A. Long Range Capital Projects Discussion**

In correlation with the preparation of the annual operating budget for calendar year 2023, staff compiled and presented an updated long-term capital project plan. Board comments and feedback from the meeting will be used to revise the long-range plan and incorporate those adjustments within the 2023 budget document tentatively scheduled to be presented at the November 15th Board meeting.

## **B. Goals and Objectives 2022/2023**

As part of the annual budget process, the Glen Ellyn Park District establishes goals and objectives for the fiscal year. Critical goals were developed several years ago with the plan to repeat annually while adjusting and creating updated objectives. As a result, the Glen Ellyn Park District has shown excellent progress in those identified areas including community relations, expanded recreation opportunities, collaboration, marketing, economic stability, and park operations.

### **Old Business**

#### **A. Referendum and Capital Project Updates 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
- Others