

**Glen Ellyn Park District
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2023
185 Spring Avenue**

I. Call to Order

President Stortz called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Commissioners

Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Crickmore, Ward, Weber, Nephew, and President Stortz. Commissioner Cornell participated via Zoom and arrived at 7:03 p.m. and Commissioner Durham was absent.

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Weber, and voted unanimously by the Park Board Commissioners who were physically present at the Spring Avenue location, to allow Commissioner Cornell to vote via Zoom for tonight's meeting.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Ward, Weber, Crickmore, Nephew and President Stortz.
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

Staff members present were Executive Director Dave Thommes, Executive Deputy Director Cinquegrani, Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia, Director of Recreation & Facilities Lim and Board Secretary & Directors' Assistant Dikker.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

President Stortz led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Changes to the Agenda

None.

V. Public Participation

None.

VI. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Crickmore, to approve the Consent Agenda including the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$653,079.24 and minutes from the August 22, 2023, Regular Meeting and September 5, 2023, Workshop Meeting.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Nephew, Crickmore, Ward, Weber, and President Stortz.
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

VII. New Business

A. Frank Johnson Center – Featherstone September payout

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia briefed the Board on the status of the Frank Johnson Center stating that the foundation walls have been poured and building upon them has begun. Construction is a little ahead of schedule and the contingency status remains positive.

The Park Board posed a few questions regarding the construction and following Commissioner Crickmore moved, seconded by Commissioner Weber, to approve Featherstone, Inc. September payout request for the Frank Johnson Center construction in the amount of \$52,996.88.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Crickmore, Weber, Cornell, Ward, Nephew and President Stortz.

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

B. Sunset Pool – WB Olson pay application

Director Troia presented the Sunset Pool pay application and following Commissioner Weber moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the W.B. Olson August 30th payout request for the Sunset Pool construction in the amount of \$97,458.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Weber, Ward, Cornell, Crickmore, Nephew, and President Stortz.

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

C. Land Purchase

President Stortz discussed a parcel of land that had become available within the last month on Lenox Rd. This parcel is adjacent to property owned by the District and has been of interest to the District for many years. The owners of this parcel had approached the District that they were interested in selling and a price was discussed. Park Board staff provided information on this parcel stating this would benefit the Lenox Road improvements in the future and said closing would take place in early October should the Board approve the contract with a post-closing agreement to allow for the resident's family to remove belongings.

Following the brief discussion, Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Crickmore, to approve the real estate purchase contract as presented for a not-to-exceed cost of \$330,000, subject to a post-closing possession agreement and to give Executive Director Dave Thommes the authority to sign the documents related to the sale, on behalf of the Park District.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Ward, Crickmore, Cornell, Weber, Nephew, and President Stortz.

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

VIII. Unfinished Business

A. 2023-2025 Project Update(s)

Director Troia stated that Ackerman Sports & Fitness Center renovations have mobilized inside. The permit was received on Monday from the Village of Glen Ellyn and after the upcoming Lakers Tournament this weekend they will begin preparing for construction of the gymnastics center addition. Fitness center rooms hope to be completed by the end of the year.

Sunset Pool has also received their permit from the Village of Glen Ellyn and contractors have been addressing IDPH comments hoping the permit from them will be released soon as well.

The Downtown Park Improvements will host an input meeting this Thursday from 5-7 p.m. at the Spring Avenue Recreation Center. This will be a publicly addressed meeting for the Village of Glen Ellyn and will help to refine the concept and allow for input from various groups. The final concept will be brought before the Park District Board and the Village Board at their October meetings, respectively. The Park Board discussed the survey results of the three concepts and inquired about feedback from the consultants as well. Commissioner Cornell asked about greenspace and plantings, future use of Forest Ave. as well as passive use of the space. Commissioner Nephew discussed possible winter activities for the area and Commissioner Weber inquired about the financing of the project and future fundraising. Director Troia provided updates and looks forward to further discussion at upcoming meetings as well as approval of the joint agreement and project with the Village of Glen Ellyn.

X. Staff Reports

A. Finance Report (For information only)

B. Staff Reports

Board Secretary & Directors' Assistant Dikker stated that Executive Session will be removed from tonight's agenda. Executive Director Thommes provided that this weekend is the Laker's tournament and staff has been working to prepare for the event. Director Lim added that 159 teams are enrolled in this weekend's tournament. Director Troia thanked the Park staff for their hard work preparing fields for the upcoming tournament.

XI. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Cornell attended the Lantern Walk the past weekend at Lake Ellyn and said it was a wonderful event with many families in attendance and commended staff for their hard work. Commissioner Crickmore attended her 50th High School reunion at Glenbard West and received many compliments from fellow classmates regarding the Parks in the District. President Stortz stated that Park Board meetings will proceed as planned for 2023 and would like discussion for next year's meetings' schedule to occur within the next few months. President Stortz spoke with Chuck Czoke who aided the District during last several months and provided that he was very impressed with the Glen Ellyn Community and all that the District offered to its patrons. President Stortz said this shows what an important role the District plays in this sense of community.

XII. Adjourn

There being no further business, Commissioner Weber moved, seconded by Commissioner Crickmore, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:46 p.m.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Crickmore, Weber, Cornell, Ward, Nephew, and President Stortz
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.