

**Glen Ellyn Park District
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2024
185 Spring Avenue**

I. Call to Order

Vice President Nephew called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Commissioners

Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Crickmore, Ward, Weber, Durham, and Vice President Nephew. President Stortz was absent, and Commissioner Cornell participated via Zoom at 7:44 p.m.

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Weber, and voted unanimously by the Park Board of Commissioners who were physically present at the Spring Avenue location, to allow Commissioner Cornell to vote via Zoom for tonight's meeting at 7:55 p.m.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Ward, Weber, Crickmore, Durham and Vice President Nephew
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

Vice President Nephew led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. Changes to the Agenda

None.

V. Public Participation

Amy Hohulin discussed an Anti-Idling initiative that is being brought forth from a collaboration of the League of Women's Voters and Go Green. Hohulin shared statistics of the harmful effects of idling and the group has monitored the idling at various schools. They are starting this initiative at the schools and are looking for support from other municipalities. Hohulin provided that yard signs will be available.

VI. Consent Agenda

Commissioner Crickmore moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the Consent Agenda including the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$1,422,523.34 and minutes from the January 16, 2024, Regular Meeting, and the February 6, 2024, Workshop Meeting.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Crickmore, Ward, Weber, Durham, and Vice President Nephew
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

VII. Public Hearing on the Amended 2023 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

Vice President Nephew opened the Public Hearing for the Amended 2023 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance and asked if there was any discussion. Nephew then asked if there were any public comments of which there were none. Following, Commissioner Ward made a motion to close the public hearing seconded by Commissioner Durham.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Ward, Durham, Weber, Crickmore, and Vice President Nephew
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

Vice President Nephew declared the Public Hearing Closed.

VIII. Unfinished Business

A. 2023 Amended Budget & Appropriation Ordinance

Director of Finance & Personnel Cinquegrani presented the 2023 Amended Budget and Appropriation Ordinance that was placed on file at the January 16, 2024, meeting. Cinquegrani provided that the amendment was necessary to properly budget expenditures relating to Board approved expenditures in 2023. He provided and reviewed those changes and following Commissioner Crickmore moved, seconded by Commissioner Weber, to approve Ordinance 24-01 "The Amended and restated ordinance making a combined annual budget and appropriation ordinance for purposes of the Glen Ellyn Park District for the year beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2023."

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Crickmore, Weber, Ward, Durham, and Vice President Nephew
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

B. Downtown Park Update

Director of Planning and Natural Resources provided a timeline of the Entitlement Process for the Downtown Community Park which will include Architectural Review, Planning Commission Review and then presentation to the Village Board of Trustees just to list a few of the steps in the process. Troia shared a draft design of the pavilion and other elements of the downtown park from Site Design Group that was drafted after comments from previous meetings and

after consideration of other various sites within Glen Ellyn and other current projects in the surrounding area. The Park Board had a discussion of the updated pavilion. Commissioners Weber, Durham and Ward appreciated the updated design. Commissioners Ward and Weber inquired on the necessary steps that will need to be taken at the Village level and if Village staff can aid in this transition process. Commissioner Weber suggested Executive Director Thommes meet with Village President Franz to further collaborate and discuss design of the pavilion and steps to be taken so as to achieve the timelines necessary set out in the IGA regarding the Downtown Community Park. Executive Director Thommes agreed and hoped that the Village would share in that cooperation. Commissioner Nephew was concerned about the wood element of the pavilion and its durability. The Park Board discussed naming of the park as well as sponsorship and financial estimates. Troia stated that once they are further along in the process and the pavilion has been well received by both Boards financial estimates would be brought forth. Troia also shared examples of potential sponsorship offerings that staff have been researching based off of visits with the Morton Arboretum and other entities. Director Troia shared that submission to the Architectural Appearance Commission will be done next.

C. 2023-2025 Project Update(s)

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia stated that all is progressing well with the various projects, and all are on schedule. He shared that the nice weather has been a benefit for the projects and said that staff is working on a move in plan for the Frank Johnson Center with a tentative move in of April 1st.

IX. New Business

A. Sale of Surplus Property-Ordinance 20-04

Director Troia shared that per our ERF, Equipment Replacement Fund, staff are recommending selling and replacing unit 428, a 2012 Ford F450 Dump Truck, and selling a 2005 Dodge Caravan Minivan that is no longer needed for the District. Troia stated that the Dump Truck will be traded in to offset the cost of the new 2024 Ford F550 Dump Truck and the Minivan would be sold in-house.

Following, Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Weber, to approve the trade in of Unit 428, the 2012 Ford F450 Dump Truck to Bob Ridings Fleet sales in the amount of \$11,000.00 to offset the cost of the new replacement vehicle, the in-house sale of the 2005 Dodge Caravan for an amount of \$1,000.00, and Ordinance 24-04, Sale of Surplus Property of the Glen Ellyn Park District.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Ward, Weber, Crickmore, Durham and Vice President Stortz.

Nay: None

Motion Carried.

B. Purchase of 2024 Budgeted Maintenance Vehicle

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia stated that the Vehicle & Equipment program was established within the Asset Replacement Fund to accumulate reserves in order to have

future funds available for the replacement of vehicles and equipment. The ERF has designated truck 428, the 2012 Ford F450 Dump Truck to be replaced from the fleet in 2024. Troia shared that this vehicle would be traded in for \$11,000.00 to offset the cost of the new vehicle, a 2024 F550 Super Cab Dump Truck. This truck would better serve the District as it will allow for more room in the vehicle for staff when out in the field and is priced through a Joint Purchasing State Bid of \$91,993.00 which is under the budgeted cost of the item (\$93,000.00).

The Park Board discussed briefly and following Commissioner Crickmore moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ford F550 (Super Cab 4 x 4, Dump Truck from Bob Ridings Fleet Sales of Taylorville, Illinois for a price of \$91,993.00 before the offset of the trade in vehicle.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Crickmore, Ward, Weber, Durham, and Vice President Nephew
Nay: None*

Motion Carried.

C. Frank Johnson Center – Featherstone, Inc. February payout

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia briefed the Board on the status of the Frank Johnson Center providing that this payout included construction to date, installation of mezzanine storage, drywall and electrical. Troia provided details on the timeline stating all is still on time for completion and staff is working on a move in plan with hopes for an April 1 move in date.

The Park Board was happy with how quickly all is progressing. Commissioner Cornell then moved, seconded by Commissioner Crickmore, to approve Featherstone, Inc.'s February payout request for the Frank Johnson Center construction in the amount of \$751,039.71 as the services identified within the payout request have been performed.

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

Motion Carried.

X. Staff Reports

A. Finance Report (For information only)

B. Staff Reports

- IPRA Conference Highlights

Executive Director Thommes shared some highlights that staff provided from their time at the IAPD/IPRA Conference that took place January 25-27, 2024. Director Thommes also shared that the Legislative Breakfast will be taking place next Friday, March 1st.

Deputy Director Cinquegrani provided that the auditors are in the offices this week and will present a final report to the Park Board sometime in May of 2024.

XI. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Crickmore stated that all looks wonderful at Ackerman Sports & Fitness Center and was pleased that staff and the Board chose to replace the flooring on the entire first floor. Commissioner Weber shared that the Ackerman Advisory Committee met and toured the facility. He shared that committee members were appreciative of the updates.

XII. Adjourn

There being no further business, Commissioner Crickmore moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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

Motion Carried.