

**Glen Ellyn Park District
Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2024
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 Cornell, Ward, Nephew, and President Stortz. Commissioner Durham arrived at 7:06 p.m. and Commissioners Crickmore and Weber were absent.

Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Cornell, Ward, 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 Ward, to approve the Consent Agenda including the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$211,324.24 and minutes from the April 16, 2024, Regular Meeting and minutes from the May 7, 2024, Workshop Meeting.

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

Motion Carried.

VII. Election of Officers

President

Commissioner Ward nominated Commissioner Stortz for the Office of President. Commissioner Cornell seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Cornell, to close the nominations.
Motion Carried.

Vote to reelect Commissioner Stortz as President of the Board.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Cornell, Ward, Nephew, Durham, and President Stortz
Nay: None.*

Motion Carried.

Vice President

Commissioner Ward nominated Commissioner Nephew for the Office of Vice President. Commissioner Cornell seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Stortz, to close the nominations.
Motion Carried.

Vote to reelect Commissioner Nephew as Vice President of the Board.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Cornell, Ward, Durham, Nephew, and President Stortz
Nay: None.*

Motion Carried.

Treasurer

Commissioner Nephew nominated Commissioner Cornell for the Office of Treasurer. Commissioner Ward seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Nephew, to close the nominations.
Motion Carried.

Vote to reelect Commissioner Cornell as Treasurer of the Board.

*Roll Call: Aye: Commissioners Cornell, Ward, Durham, Nephew, and President Stortz
Nay: None.*

Motion Carried.

VIII. Appointments

Executive Director

Commissioner Cornell moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to appoint Dave Thommes as Executive Director.

Motion Carried.

Board Secretary

Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham, to appoint Kimberly Dikker as Board Secretary.

Motion Carried.

OMA Officer

Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Cornell, to appoint Kimberly Dikker as the OMA Officer.

Motion Carried

FOIA Officer

Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to appoint Kimberly Dikker as the FOIA Officer.

Motion Carried

ADA Officer

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Nephew, to appoint Stacey Lim as the ADA Officer.

Motion Carried

WDSRA Representative

Commissioner Cornell moved, seconded by Commissioner Nephew, to appoint Dave Thommes as the WDSRA representative.

Motion Carried.

Law Firm

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Nephew, to appoint Ancel Glink as the Park District law firm.

Motion Carried.

GEPD Citizens' Finance Committee Liaisons

Following discussion, Commissioners Durham and Crickmore will be serving on the Citizens' Finance Committee.

Ackerman Sports & Fitness Center Advisory Committee Co-Chairs

Commissioners Stortz and Weber will remain on the Ackerman Sports & Fitness Center Advisory Committee.

GEPD Athletic Advisory Committee Co-Chairs

Commissioners Stortz and Weber will remain as Co-Chairs on the GEPD Athletic Advisory Committee.

GEPD Citizens' Environmental Advisory Committee Co-Chairs

Commissioners Cornell and Nephew will continue to serve as Co-Chairs on the GEPD Citizen's Environmental Advisory Committee.

Glen Ellyn Parks Foundation Liaison(s)

Commissioners Cornell and Ward will serve as liaisons to the Glen Ellyn Parks Foundation.

IX. New Business

A. Spring Avenue Recreation Center Plumbing Improvements Bid Results

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia provided information on the existing galvanized plumbing that is original to the building and spans from the south boiler room to the north administration wing. Troia stated this has continued to cause issues and was budgeted for replacement in 2024. Staff publicly noticed bids on April 9th and the bid opening occurred on April 30th, at which time two (2) sealed bids were received, opened, and read aloud.

Troia shared the CR Leonard Plumbing & Heating submitted the lowest lump sum bid of \$97,000 and it was vetted and found to be complete. Staff recommended awarding the bid to CR Leonard Plumbing & Heating and discussed the scope of the project in detail.

The Park Board had a brief discussion of the project and then Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Cornell, to award the Spring Avenue Recreation Center Plumbing bid to CR Leonard Plumbing & Heating for the amount of \$97,000.

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

Motion Carried.

B. Ackerman Ring Road Bid Results

Director of Planning and Natural Resources discussed the asphalt road that is on the perimeter of the softball fields and turf field at Ackerman Park and serves as parking and circulation to all of the fields. This asphalt is past its useful life and has been slated for replacement in the 2024 Budget for \$600,000. Staff provided that bids were publicly noticed on April 24th and bids were opened on May 15th with seven (7) sealed bids received, opened, and read aloud. Bids included the base bid of the north parking lot, Alternate 2 including the east parking lot, and Alternate 1 which includes the paving of the maintenance garage area. Overall, the bids were competitive and AccuPaving submitted the lowest lump sum bid for the Base Bid and Alternate 2 for a total of \$599,139. Staff provided that Alternate 1 will be budgeted in the future and relayed that AccuPaving has completed several projects within the District and was vetted and found to be complete. Staff recommended awarding the project to AccuPaving in the amount of \$599,139.

The Park Board had a brief discussion and inquired on the timing of the project which Troia shared would be scheduled around the various programs and tournaments within Ackerman Park. Following, Commissioner Durham moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward to award the Ackerman Ring Road bid to AccuPaving for Base Bid & Alternate 2 for the amount of \$599,139.

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

Motion Carried.

C. Frank Johnson Center – Featherstone, Inc. May 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, including installation of finishes and more. Troia shared that all is near completion, staff has already begun moving in and the asphalt surface has been laid and striped. Staff is currently waiting on Comcast to finalize the internet connection and the playground remediation should begin within the next couple of weeks.

The Park Board is excited to see the new space and following, Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham, to approve Featherstone's May payout request for the Frank Johnson Center construction in the amount of \$637,290.99 as the services identified within the payout request have been performed.

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

Motion Carried.

D. Sunset Pool – WB Olson April pay application

Director Troia presented the Sunset Pool April pay application stating that this includes construction and finishing of the slides, play equipment, new wading pool, bathhouse, and concessions. Troia shared as of now, weather dependent, the pool is on track to open on time to the general public on Memorial Day Weekend. Following, Commissioner Durham moved, seconded by Commissioner Cornell, to approve the W.B. Olson April pay application for the Sunset Pool construction in the amount of \$785,014 as the services identified within the pay application have been performed.

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

Motion Carried.

E. Wight Pay Application #10

Director Troia stated that construction is going smoothly at the Ackerman Sports & Fitness Center and reviewed Wight payment application #10 for improvements in the amount of \$543,191.37. Troia stated this payout includes the construction of the gymnastics studio, including walls, floors, utilities, painting, and finishing.

Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham, to approve Wight Construction payout request #10 for the Ackerman addition and renovation in the amount of \$543,191.37.

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

Motion Carried.

X. Unfinished Business

A. 2023-2025 Project Update(s) – Contingency Report

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia provided an update on the ongoing Capital Projects within the District. Troia shared that Sunset has made great progress in the last few weeks and shared visuals of the updates including the Slide tower, wading pool, entrance to pool deck, family restrooms and other items. Troia reviewed the current financials sharing that approximately \$52K remained in contingency and said the official Ribbon Cutting ceremony would take place on June 6th at 1:00 p.m. with local officials and legislators invited. The Park Board were excited to see the renovations and Commissioner Durham said staff should budget to replace the lifeguard chairs, diving boards, mats, and light posts in the years ahead.

Next Troia previewed Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center sharing that the front foyer and 1st and 2nd floor fitness studios are complete. Troia said the gymnastics center is close to being complete with final finishes being added. Current contingency status is \$434,176 and Troia discussed the financials further adding that the gymnastics equipment should be delivered later in June. Staff is still assessing the flooring and is working with the Vendor and Architect. The Park Board was happy to see the progress of the space.

The Frank Johnson Center is nearing completion as the parking lot has been asphalted and striped and staff is currently utilizing the building and slowly moving into the facility. Staff is waiting for a final Comcast connection for internet service and Troia shared that the playground remediation should begin in the next couple of weeks. Troia then shared the financials stating that approximately \$21K remains in contingency and that 70% of the contingency was due to bad soils while 15% was due to Village of Glen Ellyn permitting fees.

Troia shared that the Downtown Park project will be brought before the Architectural Review Committee (AAC) on Wednesday for the second time to review the landscape and restroom designs. Once through the AAC then staff will work to get slated on the Planning Commission sometime this summer. A traffic study is being completed and work on the RDA Agreement continues.

Lastly Troia shared that staff will be asking for an extension to the OSLAD grant for the Ackerman pickleball courts and Lenox Road project. A special use permit is now needed for the pickleball courts, and we would not be able to get the bids, permitting and project built within this time frame.

XI. Staff Reports

A. Finance Report (For information only)

B. Staff Reports

Executive Thommes shared that staff attended the YMCA Champions Dinner on Monday night to support the YMCA. Senator Sean Casten was in attendance. Staff is also reviewing the RDA Agreement for the Downtown Park and will be providing it to counsel for further review. Director Thommes shared that as of now the District has not received any appropriation funding for the Downtown Park. He did share that the Village of Glen Ellyn received \$11MM for various projects

including the Metra station. Thommes shared we applied for \$8.2MM. President Stortz stated we will continue to collaborate with the Village on securing funding for the Downtown project.

XII. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Durham shared the success of his son's Soccer tournament as they won their division at the Puma Generations Soccer tournament this past weekend. Durham praised Manager of Soccer Operations Addanki and Director Thommes shared that 36 Lakers teams took place in the tournament with 16 reaching the finals. Commissioner Nephew had an enjoyable time with staff in Springfield, IL attending Parks Day and was happy to be able to meet with so many legislators and it was incredibly productive. Commissioner Cornell echoed that sentiment saying it was time well spent. Cornell shared that her current dance instructor at the District raves about the staff and her classes and Cornell says it is thoroughly an enjoyable program. President Stortz thanked staff for all of their time finalizing and working on the many projects within the District.

XIII. Adjourn

There being no further business, Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Cornell, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:22 p.m.

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

Motion Carried.