

**Glen Ellyn Park District
Board of Commissioners
Workshop Meeting Minutes
September 3, 2024
185 Spring Avenue**

I. Call to Order

President Stortz called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Commissioners

Upon roll call, those answering present were Commissioners Crickmore, Ward, Durham, Nephew, and President Stortz. Commissioner Cornell arrived at 7:34 p.m.

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. Voucher List of Bills Totaling \$528,887.13

Commissioner Crickmore moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham, to approve the Voucher List of Bills totaling \$528,887.13.

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

Motion Carried.

VII. Sunset Mural RFP Discussion

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia shared that after the renovations of Sunset Pool, a blank wall remained facing the children's wading pool that would be an ideal location for an art installation and/or mural. Proposals were solicited from qualified artists (RFP) to provide design and implementation for an exterior mural and public art project within Sunset Pool. Staff shared that the subject matter would be child-friendly, vivid colors and something that encompasses the spirit of Sunset Pool, the Park District and the Village of Glen Ellyn.

Troia relayed details of the project and stated that nine (9) artist submittals were received and four (4) were interviewed. Staff selected Geoff Bevington of Glen Ellyn, provided the Board with

details of his proposal, and shared his prior works within the Glen Ellyn community. Troia stated Staff is still discussing opportunities to include patrons of the community within the art installation process and hopes to begin the mural sometime this Fall. Troia said staff was looking for comments/feedback from the Park Board regarding this project.

The Park Board inquired about the durability of the mural and products used which Troia replied that the artist has specific products for this type of canvas that would endure the elements. Commissioner Nephew asked about a mosaic art installation and staff shared that that was considered but was a significantly more costly and staff was concerned of the maintenance and safety of the young children in the area with this type of element. The Park Board looks forward to the final design of the mural and thanked staff for adding this creativity to Sunset Pool.

VIII. Frank Johnson Center Playground – Playground Assembly Pay Application

Director Troia shared that following completion of the remediation of the Frank Johnson Center playground, the existing playground equipment was reinstalled with new timber curbs and restored landscaping. The playground passed inspections and opened this past Friday before the Holiday weekend.

Troia shared that a payout request to Hacienda Landscaping Inc. is recommended for approval for the playground installation in the amount of \$46,500.00. Following, Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Crickmore, to approve Hacienda’s pay application for the Frank Johnson Center Playground project in the amount of \$46,500.00.

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

Motion Carried.

IX. W.B. Olson – Sunset Pool September Pay Application

Director Troia presented the Sunset Pool September pay application stating that this includes final construction of the renovation. Troia shared that the pool has been well attended this season and closed this past Monday for the 2024 season. Commissioner Nephew inquired about the Family bathrooms at the main entrance and shared that water has pooled in areas and asked if this could be addressed. Director Troia shared that he would follow up with the contractor as there is a warranty on all work. Following, Commissioner Durham moved, seconded by Commissioner Crickmore, to approve the W.B. Olson September pay application for the Sunset Pool construction in the amount of \$85,124.00 as the services identified within the pay application have been performed.

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

Motion Carried.

X. Ackerman Gymnastics Lobby Furniture Pay Application

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia stated that as part of the Ackerman Sports & Fitness Center improvements, new furniture was required. New furniture would be placed at the front of the building, in the newly remodeled offices, as well as in the new viewing area and lobby of the gymnastics center.

Troia shared the payout request for the furniture installation was \$58,648.15. Staff recommends approval of this payout request to Franklin Cooney who is the supplier and installer of this project.

Following, Commissioner Nephew moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the pay application to Franklin Cooney in the amount of \$58,648.15 as the services identified within the pay application have been performed.

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

Motion Carried.

XI. Lake Ellyn Clay Courts – Classic Fence Final Pay Application

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia shared that the renovation of the Clay Courts at Lake Ellyn have been completed. Last year the Board approved the clay court renovations to Midwest Tennis and the fencing has since been completed with gates installed. Staff has received positive comments from patrons regarding this project. Staff recommended this final payout request to Classic Fence in the amount of \$46,064.

Following, Commissioner Durham moved, seconded by Commissioner Ward, to approve the Classic Fence pay application for the Lake Ellyn Fencing in the amount of \$46,064.

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

Motion Carried.

XII. 2023-2026 Project Update(s)

Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia shared that staff is continuing to work on the OSLAD Grant application for Village Green Park. Troia shared that a public meeting was held last Thursday at Village Green Park, and several user groups were in attendance to discuss the project. The Park Board held a discussion on the various elements that would be included in the project. Commissioner Nephew inquired about artificial turf being used within one of the fields, but Troia shared that element is slated within the masterplan but not something that would be an element of the OSLAD grant. Troia reiterated that the masterplan is to serve as a guideline for the future and only some elements would be completed should the OSLAD grant be awarded. President Stortz asked about the timeline of the grant process in which Troia shared grants would be awarded in January or February, permit process would begin after that and then the project would go out to bid. Construction would not begin until the end of 2025.

Stortz then asked the status of the Ackerman Ring Road asphalt repaving project. Troia shared that the District is still waiting on comments from the Village of Glen Ellyn and is hoping the delays do not push us until the next season as the asphalt plants begin to close in November.

XIII. Staff Reports

Executive Director Thommes reminded the Park Board that the ribbon cutting for the Ackerman Gymnastics Center would take place Thursday, September 5th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. He shared that the gymnastics program would be doing a short exhibition followed by an Open House of the facility. Thommes provided that there has been a change in the time for the Frank Johnson Center Open House which will now run from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 17th. The Ribbon Cutting ceremony will take place at 6:30 p.m. followed by our September Regular Meeting. Director Thommes then shared the date for the Foundation event, Halloween Hangout, on October 19th which will be held at the Boathouse. Lastly, he shared that Director of Planning and Natural Resources Troia, Executive Deputy Director Cinquegrani, and Director of Recreation and Facilities Lim will be attending the National Recreation and Park Association Conference on October 8-10, 2024, in Atlanta, GA.

XIV. Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Durham enjoyed his final day at Sunset Pool this past weekend and shared lots of positive feedback from the community. Commissioners Cornell & Nephew enjoyed the wonderful weather this past weekend and their time at Sunset Pool. Commissioner Crickmore attended Sunset Pool with her grandson and enjoyed the beautiful weather. She reiterated how wonderful the addition of the wading pool has been for parents. President Stortz visited Co-op Park and shared how nice that Park was and recommended others to visit. Stortz also commended staff at Sunset Pool this past weekend during a rescue that occurred. Stortz commended staff in training and preparation for these very instances.

XV. Adjourn

There being no further business, Commissioner Ward moved, seconded by Commissioner Durham, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:32 p.m.

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

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Dikker
Board Secretary & Directors' Assistant