

Glen Ellyn Parks Foundation Meeting
October 29, 2024
185 Spring Avenue
7:00pm

Minutes

- I. **Call to Order** Jonathan Huard called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.
- II. **Roll Call** Present: Jonathan Huard, Nate Troia, Susan Smentek; Present via electronic means: Kathy Cornell, Nick Cinquegrani, Stacey Lim
- III. **Changes to the Agenda** None
- IV. **Approval Meeting Minutes**

Jonathan Huard made a motion to approve the minutes from August 27, 2024, seconded by Kathy Cornell. The motion passed unanimously.
- V. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. Financial Update - Susan gave an update. Bank Balance is \$89,910.70, Hot Cocoa at Ackerman Haunted Trails brought in \$299. Foundation fundraising year to date = \$26,752.
 - b. Scholarship – Susan reported that \$62,829 has been expended year to date, serving 86 resident families in 56 rec programs, 143 athletic programs, 29 pool passes and 8 Ackerman memberships. The amount for scholarships is expected to go down in 2025 as we will no longer be funding full soccer expenses for any recipients.
 - c. Improvement - Downtown Park Update – Nate gave an update on the status of the Downtown Park, including a walk through with Rep. Casten several weeks ago regarding possible future federal funding and ongoing discussions with the Village.
 - d. Preservation – Nate discussed the continuing needs for Churchill Park.
- VI. **New Business**
 - a. Fundraising Events – Susan proposed the following events for 2025:
 - i. Mini-Golf Outing – Saturday, May 17, 2025
 - ii. Touch-A-Truck table, 5/3/25
 - iii. Thirsty Thursday on the Deck – Partnership with Rec, portion of the proceeds to Foundation – 6/12, 7/17, 8/14
 - iv. Summer Break at the Lake 50/50 Raffle – 6/27/25
 - v. Fireworks from the Fishing Pier Raffle
 - vi. Fireworks from the Garden Nook Auction
 - vii. Gator Race – During Gators Swim Meet?
 - viii. Ackerman Haunted Trail Hot Cocoa sales – with better tap to pay capabilities
 - ix. Photos with Santa

Jonathan suggested the Naperville Trolley Tour. Stacey will connect with Susan about contact info, details and pricing. Jonathan suggested having something small to sell at our table at all events, setting specific amount for donations for specific things, round up donation button on Park District registration site.

- b. Fundraising Campaigns – Susan discussed launching a Year End/Giving Tuesday appeal via GiveButter.

VII. Other Matters Future meetings to be held via Teams. On Tuesday or Wednesday at noon. Susan will email meeting invites with suggested meeting dates.

VIII. Adjourn Jonathan motioned to close the meeting at 7:38pm. Kathy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.