

Buildings, Grounds and Park Services Committee

Glenview Park District

1930 Prairie Street

Glenview, IL 60025

Committee Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2010

1. Roll Call

Commissioner Katsamakis called the meeting to order at 9:40am

Commissioners/Official Staff present: Ted Przybylo, Angie Katsamakis, Bill Casey, Board of Commissioners; Charles Balling, Executive Director; Fred Gullen, Superintendent of Park Services; Ken Wexler, Landscape Architect; Mike Sullivan, Park Services Supervisor; Cheryl Noll, Recording Secretary

2. Agenda Topic:

A. Willow Park Community In-put Meeting Review

Minutes from the October 6th meeting were discussed. Residents were happy about the upgrade of the playground equipment and the field house. Specific resident suggestions included the audio visual equipment that could be used for community programming in the field house and the roller slide for the playground being kept. Staff will coordinate scheduling with the school to avoid traffic and usage conflicts. Staff will apply for the new PARC Grant, focused on building as the OSLAD Grant for is outdoor recreation. Commissioner Casey asked if the school will help with the improvement on the sidewalk. Ken Wexler indicated that \$24, 000 will be in their budget for improvements. Fred Gullen went over a diagram regarding the exchange of service agreement with the school district. Staff is looking for approval of committee minutes from Oct 6th meeting. All Commissioners present were in agreement.

B. Park Playground Capital Replacement Plan 2010 to 2015

Staff went over the Capital Replacement chart showing programming and proposals. Changes in the report would be moving Riverside Park to 2011. Commissioner Przybylo asked what the improvements were. Fred Gullen indicated the rubber surface was destroyed by the flood, staff proposed replacing the entire playground to rubber surface that holds up in floods. Enhancements along the river bank and add a sidewalk, new back stop, and players' benches. The river bank improvements would follow the Village of Glenview Natural Resource Commission's and the Glenview Park District's "Plan for Nature in Glenview" that highlights certain natural resource areas. Riverside Park is one of them. The plan would include taking out weed trees allowing more sunlight and the planting of better native plants to protect the river embankment to promote biodiversity. Staff proposes that Applied Ecological Services prepare a detailed plan for Riverside Park and then use this as a prototype on the other river front parks. Pros and cons will be discussed; the first step would be to move up the park on the Capital Replacement chart. Discussion ensued regarding some sort of a future river walk way. Staff will look into signage for the park.

Staff proposed additional enhancements to the south side of Flick Park as it was the number one destination park on the Attitude and Interest Survey. A community meeting on Flick will take place like Willow Park and staff will develop some RFP's for the playground.

C. Fieldhouse Renovation Planning

Staff went over the memo from the architect study on the field houses and the plan showing the needs. The Strategic Plan calls for renovation of 2 field houses per year, this year would be Willow Park and Diederich Park in 2010-11. Mike Sullivan went over the renovations done by staff of the Sleepy Hollow field house. There are 13 field houses and the proposed order of work was based on starting with the buildings which had little or no previous work done on them. Exterior rest rooms will be decided by individual locations. Sente Rubel Bosman Lee Architects will list any changes that need to be made for the ADA compliance.

Fred Gullen discussed the drawing from the Western Golf Association who is interested in adding more parking on property owned by Metra north of Diederich Park. We are currently also working with the Village of Golf to improve the landscaping next to the fence that Metra put up. Staff will get more information from WGA before a decision can be made.

3. Tree Removal Procedures

Staff is drafting a formal policy and procedure for the maintenance of our trees in the park district. The policy would be across the board for landscaped areas for the entire district. It will be presented at a future committee meeting.

4. Other Business

Staff received a request from resident for an outdoor ice rink. Staff would like to propose an intern do a study on need and costs. We currently have outdoor ice rinks at Johns and Flick parks. Staff will bring the recommendation back to the board in spring to early summer.

5. Executive Session

None

6. Action on items that were discussed in Executive Session, if any

None

7. Adjourn

Commissioner Katsamakidis moved seconded by Commissioner Przybylo to adjourn the Open Session at 10:40 am. On Voice Vote: All present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Michael Scholl
Board President

Charles T. Balling
Board Secretary

Approved this 18th day of November, 2010