

**Glenview Park District Public Hearing**  
**Concept plans for the proposed Glenview National 9 Golf Course**  
**clubhouse and platform tennis courts**

Park Center - Room 101  
2400 Chestnut Avenue  
Glenview, IL 60026  
Public Meeting Minutes  
Monday, April 30, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

1. Commissioners/Official Staff present: Commissioners Casey, Kuhn, Peterson; Cheryl Deom, Superintendent of Special Facilities; Charles Balling, Executive Director; Blake Manhart, Manager Glenview National 9 Golf Club; Dave Woolf, Manager Glenview Tennis Club; Ken Wexler, Landscape Architect; Cheryl Noll, Recording Secretary; Dan Nicholas, Nicholas Design Group; Jerry Aulisio, The AT Group.

Chuck Balling welcomed the public to the meeting at 7:04 p.m. and asked everyone to introduce themselves. (12 members of the public in the audience)

2. **Agenda Topics**

- a. Public comment on the conceptual plans for the proposed Glenview National 9 Golf Course clubhouse and platform tennis courts

Director Balling discussed the history of paddle tennis and how the addition of this amenity to the Glenview Park District was a viable match for the Glenview National 9 Golf club operation. The construction of the permanent clubhouse was part of the 2010-13 Glenview Park District Strategic plan and with the addition of paddle tennis courts it allowed this facility and site to be usable by our community twelve months of the year, instead of only during the golf season. The budget for the project is \$2.1 million and is being funded by bonds issued last year for approved strategic plan projects; there will not be any tax increases to the community as a result of this project. The project will be formally bid in July and the Park District Board will have final approval of the project moving into the construction phase.

Cheryl Deom reviewed the approval process required by the Village of Glenview. The park district staff has held four different focus group meetings to solicit input from residents on the project and the components they would like to see in the operation. Superintendent Deom also reported that in a recent survey of park district users on their interest in paddle tennis being offered in Glenview that 89% of the survey respondents were in favor of the park district offering paddle tennis. Deom reported that the sport is becoming much more of a community based sport and ideal for residents who want to remain active throughout the winter months. It is anticipated if the project moves forward the facility would be ready for the 2013 golf season and paddle season.

Cheryl Deom introduced the architect for the clubhouse/paddle court project, Dan Nicholas of Nicholas Design Group.

Dan Nicolas reviewed a power point presentation on the project. He had prepared conceptual designs of the clubhouse and courts, site plan and landscape. Dan outlined the layout of the clubhouse and courts and how it fit onto the site. Dan answered several questions by the public related to the number of parking spaces at the site, the location of the clubhouse and how placed on the property as well as the proposed construction materials and how the seating and site lines for the paddle tennis seating area would be handled. The court layouts was reviewed for proper orientation and has been laid out correctly in the site design, 22 degrees north of true east/west.

Ken Wexler, the park district's landscape architect reviewed the landscape design for the project. He explained that on the site staff was investigating how to achieve several things; to create a robust screening using the berm and a dense planting of evergreens and trees. The three types of trees proposed for the site were spruce, fir and pine. Ken then reviewed a cross section showing the elevation of the townhouses with the berm, paddle courts and club house. The proposed planting for this area of the site would buffer all view of the courts, except from the top floor of the townhomes across the street. Once the plantings reached maturity in 3-5 years the entire paddle complex would be screened from the townhomes. Accent lighting was being added along the pathway from the parking lot to the clubhouse and would be located in the landscape.

Dan Nicholas went over the foot candle photometric plan for the courts and did a demonstration of the light levels at various foot-candles. A demonstration was provided showing the meeting room having 54 foot candles of light which is about what a paddle court has. The light fixture is proposed to be a shoebox fixture, metal halide bulb, focused straight down. These were recently installed in Hinsdale at their courts and have been well received.

Cheryl Deom was asked what could prevent the project taking place at this point of the process and she reported the only problem that could be anticipated at this point would be if once the bids for the project are opened that they come in way over the project budget. The park district is applying for a Conditional Use Permit with the Village.

Other question asked related to the availability of liquor on the site. Glenview National 9 currently holds a liquor license for this site and plans on continuing to be responsible for the sale and dispensing of liquor. The park district is currently evaluating the various options for how this portion of the operation will be managed, but the district does not plan to allow participants to bring their own liquor to the site. There will also be a kitchen on the site that will consist of a simple grill with a limited menu. The grill will be available to the golfing public and if enough interest exists may also be available to the paddle playing public. Staff understands the importance of allowing flexibility in food service offerings for the paddle constituents. The park district staff assigned to this project will continue to work with the paddle players and golfers on all aspects of the operation and new facility.

Cheryl Deom said there is a lot of interest from current paddle players to be part of an advisory committee working with staff on the new policies and procedures for paddle operation. Staff will be look at the pool of candidates, so she asked that potential candidates to please let her or one of the staff members on the project know.

The public was thanked for their time and participation in attending the public hearing on this new facility and program. Future questions on the facility may be directed to Cheryl Deom, Superintendent of Special Facilities for the district [chery.deom@glenviewparks.org](mailto:chery.deom@glenviewparks.org) or 224 521 2248.

**3. Adjourn - 8:00 p.m.**

ATTEST:

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Angie Katsamakias  
Board President

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Charles T. Balling  
Board Secretary

Approved this 24th day of May, 2012.