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MUSEUMS & HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Glenview Park District-Administration Building

1930 Prairie Street, Glenview, IL 60025

Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 25, 2016 @ 8:30 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Chairman Bill Casey called the meeting to order at 8:28 am and the roll was called.

Commissioners present: Commissioners Bill Casey, Dave Dillon, Charlie Kuhn, Angie Katsamakidis, Dave Tosh

Official Staff present: Executive Director Mike McCarty, Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer, Director of Wagner Farm Todd Price, Director of The Grove Steve Swanson, Recording Secretary Tanya Trapani

Guests: AT Group Program Manager and Principal Jerry Aulisio

Late Arrivals, Early Departure: Angie Katsamakidis arrived at 8:32 am, Dave Tosh arrived at 8:38 am, Todd Price and Jerry Aulisio left at 9:16 am, Kirsten Bergin and Bill Marquardt arrived at 9:17 am

Commissioners/Official Staff absent: None

2. AGENDA TOPICS

a. Naval Air Station Glenview Museum

Staff requested consideration of a motion for a resolution related to the future of the NASGM.

At the last meeting, on July 21, regarding the NASGM, the committee narrowed the study of a possible site to an area behind Park Center. The next step is to formalize this project via a resolution stating that the Hanger One Foundation (HOF) raise the funds needed for a feasibility study for the project and that the District will commence with the study once the funds have been raised. Following a successful feasibility study, the District will enter into an agreement with HOF under which the District would construct and operate a museum provided that HOF secured donations and/or pledges sufficient to pay for the entire design, engineering, construction, furnishing, equipment and at least the first twenty years' operational costs.

Staff requested approval of the motion and move it to the full board for approval under the consent agenda at the September 22, 2016 board meeting.

The committee recommended that the motion move to full board for approval, on the consent agenda.

b. Wagner Farm Projects Update

Staff updated the committee on the progress of three projects planned for Wagner Farm including changes to the crosswalk, an addition to the livestock shed and a children's exhibit with site signage. Director of Wagner Farm Todd Price shared a Power Point presentation to update the committee on the 3 projects.

Staff has reached out to the Village of Glenview and Gewalt Hamilton and Associates for assistance in addressing the safety of visitors crossing at the crosswalk on Wagner Road. Staff then began the process with Cook County to find a crosswalk solution. The county made a few recommendations, which included moving the existing flasher closer to the crosswalk, installation of a push button activated crossing with LED flashers (RRFB) and installation of the RRFB with an additional overhead arm. Staff proposed that two enhanced lighting poles be added on both sides of the road, as well an additional overhead arm. Commissioner Charlie Kuhn suggested enhancing the lighting on the sides of the road instead of adding an overhead sign, as it may look out of place in a residential area. Staff considered installing lighting in the crosswalk pavement but the county requires the road to be concrete instead of asphalt. Commissioner Bill Casey suggested replacing sections of asphalt with concrete to be able to install the pavement lights. Commissioner Dave Dillon requested that protective barriers be installed for added security for pedestrians waiting to cross the road.

Staff discussed the addition to the livestock shed in order to improve livestock housing on the site. An agriculture engineering professor from the University of Illinois and the Wagner Farm veterinarian were asked to come in to assess the current livestock shed. Suggestions were made that would provide free choice shelter, divided pens, frost-free water system and the ability to quarantine sick livestock. This addition would provide walk-in shelter for both the horses and cattle during the late fall through early spring. During the rest of the year, the building would provide additional space for segregated herd management that would give options for improved feeding and sanitation. Director Price shared detailed maps and architectural elevations of the new livestock shed.

Staff discussed the addition of a farm themed children's exhibit and additional site signage with integrated technology, including multilingual capabilities. Director Price shared a map with the intended playground footprint, as well as photos of potential play exhibit pieces. During a recent meeting with Village staff, it was suggested that this project and the farm shed project be tethered through the permitting and reviewing process. Once this project is given the green light, staff will put out an RFP for the playground equipment with a separate RFP, at a later date, for the installation of the equipment.

All of these projects were approved as part of the FY 16-17 budget. No final decisions have been made as staff will continue to update the board and bring bids back to the committee for approval.

The complete fiscal impact will be determined after projects are approved by the Village of Glenview and sealed bids are solicited. A total of \$387,932 was included in the Wagner Farm operations budget to complete these projects. Staff applied for a \$150,000 IMLS grant last November and they are awaiting notification in September. A total of \$15,000 has been

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secured through private donations. Staff will also seek additional funding from the Friends of Wagner Farm and the Glenview Park Foundation. Commissioner Casey suggested that staff look into Federal funding for the pedestrian crosswalk.

3. Other

Director of The Grove Steve Swanson gave an update on the land purchase. The site has been secured, the fence has been taken down and a temporary gate has been put up across the road. The grant process is still underway, all of the paperwork has been filed and a decision should be made regarding the grant in September/October. If the grant is received, the Park District will receive 50% reimbursement of the total cost, which will go directly to the Grove Heritage Association.

4. Matters from the Public

None

5. Adjourn

Commissioner Bill Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Dave Dillon to adjourn the Open Session at 9:22 am. On Voice Vote: All present voted aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:

Daniel B. Peterson
Board President

Michael D. McCarty
Board Secretary

Approved this 22nd day of September 2016