

RECREATION, MUSEUM & SWIMMING POOLS COMMITTEE

Glenview Park District-Park Center Room 101

2400 Chestnut, Glenview, IL 60026

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 17, 2016 @ 8:30 a.m.

1. Roll Call

Chairman Dave Tosh called the meeting to order at 8:31am and the roll was called.

Commissioners present: Commissioners Charlie Kuhn, Dave Dillon, Dave Tosh, Dan Peterson

Official Staff present: Executive Director Mike McCarty, Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer, Superintendent of Park and Facility Services Jim Warnstedt, Assistant Director of Recreation & Aquatic Operations Amy Watson, Director of The Grove Steve Swanson, Manager, Park and Facilities Services Kris Mikkelsen, Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Dan Andres, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds Angel Olan, Recording Secretary Tanya Trapani

Guests: President/Principal of C.E. Crowley & Associates Chuck Crowley

Late Arrivals, Early Departure: Dave Dillon arrived at 8:33am, Chuck Crowley arrived at 8:36am. Steve Swanson left at 8:49am, Chuck Crowley left at 9:01am, Angel Olan and Dan Andres left at 9:01am.

Commissioners/Official Staff absent: None

2. AGENDA TOPICS

a) Recommendation regarding the Park Center Splash Roof & HVAC Replacements

Staff requested consideration of approval of a contract for the roof replacement at Splash Landings and to reject the bids for the Park Center HVAC. On January 20, 2016 ten bids were received for the Splash Roof and the HVAC replacements. The low bid for the roof replacement was from A-1 Roofing in the amount of \$475,700.

Staff recommended that the low bid for the roof replacement from A-1 Roofing in the amount of \$475,700 be accepted. Staff further recommended that all of the HVAC bids be rejected and the project be rebid at a later date. Chuck Crowley explained that the Park District was trying to garner a savings by combing the roof replacement and HVAC replacements and it was bid with the mechanical contractor as a sub-contractor to the roofer. It is expected that the Park District will actually garner a savings by bidding on these two projects separately. Facilities Maintenance Supervisor Dan Andres noted that they are looking to use electric reheats instead of a fan powered box in order to cut down the cost. During the HVAC replacements, there is a possibility of a temporary closure of the facility.

The committee recommended the bid for the roof replacement of Park Center Splash Landings from A-1 Roofing, of Elk Grove Village in the amount of \$475,700 for full board approval. The committee also accepted the recommendation to reject all HVAC bids and to rebid the project at a later date.

b) The Grove Program and Management Plan

Director of The Grove Steve Swanson gave an overview of The Grove Program and Management Plan, which was written in 1982 and revised in 1988, 1995, 1997 and 2001. All of these plans were created with a committee of people made up of GHA members, Grove staff, senior staff, community members and Board members. Since the last revision, 15 years have passed, projects have been completed, programming has evolved and over 60 acres have been added to The Grove.

Staff recommended creating a new committee to update the Program and Management Plan in the same manner that we have in the past. This project would include three components in the following sequence:

- National Historic Landmark Survey (included in the budget for FY 16-17)
- The Program and Management Policy
- Visual Master Plan that would reflect the first two components

Funds were included in the budget for FY 16-17 to cover the cost of this project.

Staff recommended that the District proceed with the updating of The Grove Program and Management Plan.

The committee recommended The Grove Program and Management Plan for full board approval.

c) July 4th Update

Elsa Fischer updated the committee that a former committee member will be returning to the committee. Robin Andrews joined the committee several years ago but was not able to fulfill her commitment. She will be returning to assist with the fundraising and planning for 2016. Ms. Andrews currently works at Astellas. The committee has selected Mark Walther from District #34 to be the Grand Marshal for the parade. Mr. Walther has graciously accepted.

The cost of the fireworks for 2016 will be \$32,000 (up from \$25,900 in 2015).

Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer explained that the extra cost is due to a longer show and larger shells (6 inch). The show will be increased from 21 minutes to 26 minutes. A RFP for future fireworks shows will be prepared in the fall. The fundraising committee will work to raise funds to cover the cost of the fireworks. The committee is also looking to post on the neighborhood forums to share information about fundraising.

Commissioner Charlie Kuhn asked about adding additional entertainment to turn the event into an all-day or half-day festival. Superintendent Fischer explained that the committee has sent out Vendor Applications to include food at the event. Due to the increased cost of fireworks, portable restrooms and sound system, the committee will work to reach the new fundraising goal first before adding anything amenities to the event. Executive Mike McCarty expressed that taking on an additional piece will take our efforts away from making the event successful.

Staff recommended that the contract with Melrose Pyrotechnics be approved under the consent agenda at the February 2016 board meeting.

Executive Director Mike McCarty noted that the Village of Glenview will be adding 10 additional police officers to monitor the event as well as further assistance from Public Works. Commissioners Dan Peterson and Dave Dillon expressed concern about road closures and traffic patterns before and after the event. Commissioner Dillon noted that it was difficult for people leaving the event who parked in the parking garage and on the street in The Glen Town Center. Commissioner Dan Peterson noted that people were unable to get into The Glen before the event due to road closures at Patriot Boulevard and Lake Avenue. Superintendent Fischer stated that The Village of Glenview is looking into all traffic patterns around Gallery Park and creating a more affective exit strategy. The July 4th Committee is also looking into additional entertainment to take place after the fireworks in order to dissipate traffic. Commissioner Charlie Kuhn expressed that people were upset because there were very few vehicles in the VIP parking section. Superintendent Fischer noted that the July 4th committee is looking into other options for VIP parking, possibly making the VIP section smaller. Commissioner Kuhn suggested adding additional bike racks and encouraging residents to walk and ride bicycles. He also suggested the addition of misting stations in case of hot temperatures.

d) Schram Rental Request

Staff received a request from a group interested in renting Schram Memorial Chapel for a short period of time (2 to 4 months) to hold their church services until they can secure a new location. Per the Glenview Park District Facility and Equipment Use Policy, staff is not authorized to rent any facility more than 6 times in an 8-week period for political meetings or religious services without approval of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Bethel Christian Church is a member church of the Presbyterian Church in America. They currently have two small congregations, one meeting on the North West side of Chicago and the other in Wheeling. They are hoping to unite the two congregations and relocate to the Glenview area in April or May of 2016. They are looking to hold services at Schram Memorial Chapel on Sunday from 9am until noon in the interim. The District would generate \$510/per week if this rental were permitted. Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer noted that any additional events, such as weddings or extended services, would be billed out separately. Executive Director Mike McCarty expressed that this would generate a rental at a time that is normally difficult to fill.

Staff recommended that the District rent Schram Memorial Chapel to the Bethel Christian Church on a short term basis (2 to 4 months).

The committee recommended the staff request to rent Schram Memorial Chapel to Bethel Christian Church on a short term basis to full board for approval.

e) Other

Staff shared with the committee that we have met with members of the Glenview Naval Air Station Museum for *Bring It Home Glenview* and *Hanger One Foundation* at their museum site to gain more insight into their needs and request of the Glenview Park District. Staff has

been working to investigate and develop feasible options that meet the Glenview Park District needs and those of the museum. The committee agreed that it was time for the District to embrace this idea and move forward with planning. Commissioner Kuhn indicated that he would very much enjoy a museum built on Park District land and operated by the Glenview Park District.

The committee agreed that the District may not be able to accommodate a facility of the desired size and scope of the *Bring it Home Glenview* vision but that we needed to determine what we could provide based on the space available as well as any parking constraints (if they do exist). There was also some discussion that this was not the top priority in the District and that indoor ice, the additional paddle courts and existing capital replacement are the priorities.

The committee agreed that Park District staff should come up with a plan that would work for the District (on land owned by the District and possibly adjacent to Park Center) for this museum. Commissioner Dan Peterson suggested, and the committee concurred, that the Park District develop a plan for a facility and a rough idea of the cost to recommend to *Bring It Home Glenview* and *Hanger One Foundation* via a resolution. The resolution would outline what the District could provide, the estimated cost and that *Bring it Home Glenview* would need to raise all of the funds for museum prior to implementation.

The committee directed staff to have a report prepared for the June RMSP committee meeting.

3. Matters from the Public

None

4. Adjourn

Commissioner Dave Tosh moved seconded by Commissioner Dave Dillon to adjourn the Open Session at 10:20am. On Voice Vote: All present voted aye, motion carried.

ATTEST:

William M. Casey
Board President

Michael D. McCarty
Board Secretary

Approved this 24th day of March 2016