



**GLENVIEW PARK DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING**

Park Center, Lakeview Room
2400 Chestnut Avenue
Glenview, IL 60025

Regular Meeting Minutes
December 21, 2017

1. Roll Call

President Robert Patton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the roll was called.

Commissioners present: William M. Casey, David M. Dillon, Angie G. Katsamakidis, Daniel B. Peterson, Jennifer G. Roberts, David S. Tosh, Robert J. Patton

Commissioners absent: None

Official Staff present: Treasurer William D. Moore, Executive Director/Secretary Michael D. McCarty, Superintendent of Park & Facility Services James Warnstedt, Superintendent of Special Facilities Lori Lovell, Deputy Executive Director Katie Skibbe, Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer, and Recording Secretary Joanne Capaccio. Please refer to the attendance record for visitors.

Official Staff absent: None

2. A Moment of Silence was observed

3. Meeting Minutes

a. (a.b.c.d.e.)

Accepted the November 2, 2017 Park & Facility Services/Environmental Committee meeting minutes; accepted the November 15, 2017 Citizen Task Force meeting minutes; accepted the November 16, 2017 Recreation & Swimming Pools Committee meeting minutes; approved the November 16, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes, and accepted the November 28, 2017 Finance Committee of the Whole meeting minutes

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Peterson to accept the November 2, 2017 Park & Facility Services/Environmental Committee meeting minutes; accept the November 15, 2017 Citizen Task Force meeting minutes; accept the November 16, 2017 Recreation & Swimming Pools Committee meeting minutes; approve the November 16, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes, and accept the November 28, 2017 Finance Committee of the Whole meeting minutes. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Casey, Dillon, Katsamakidis, Peterson, Roberts, Tosh, Patton. Nays: None. Motion Carried. (Copy of minutes filed herewith.)

4. Presentations/Recognitions

Accepted a Proclamation acknowledging long-time Grove staff member Kris Van Voorhis on her retirement from the Glenview Park District.

President Patton read the President's Proclamation honoring Kris Van Voorhis. Among her many accomplishments during her 34 years at the Park District, President Patton acknowledged the numerous special events Kris established over the years as well as the many program opportunities she developed at The Grove. She was also instrumental in furthering the joint curriculum with Glenview School District 34 for historical and environmental education. Grove Director Lorin Ottlinger noted Kris's unbelievable dedication, enthusiasm and passion for her job and affirmed that her positive attitude has set an example for other staff members. Lorin also acknowledged how much Kris will be missed by everyone at the District and wished her all the best in her retirement. Kris thanked the Board and noted "it's been an amazing journey" and she will treasure all of her memories and time at The Grove. Executive Director Mike McCarty thanked Kris for her service and acknowledged how much she had brighten the lives of students and visitors over the years through programs and events she oversaw. Commissioner Dave Tosh noted he has never seen Kris without a smile on her face and remembered how that smile welcomed him to the District during his first days as a Board Commissioner.

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Roberts to accept the President's Proclamation to acknowledge Long-Time Staff Member Kris Van Voorhis on her Retirement from the Glenview Park District after 34 years of dedicated service to the Park District and Community. On Voice Vote; all present voted aye. Motion carried.

5. Officers' Reports

a. President

President Patton went over the procedures for the public to address the Board. He noted all comments will be limited to two minutes due to the amount of people wishing to speak.

b. Treasurer

The District's financial reports were included in the board packet; therefore a verbal report was not given by the Treasurer. Board members did not request any additional information from Treasurer Moore.

c. Secretary/Executive Director

i) Happy Holidays–Year in Review

Director McCarty wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season. He noted this was the last Park Board meeting of 2017 and pointed out some of the following highlights and accomplishments at the Park District this year: the Park District celebrated its 90th year; Jackman Bear turned 100; we saw some long-time, devoted staff members retire and celebrated their dedication to the District; installed first LED athletic lights at Flick Park and received a generous rebate from ComEd. Director McCarty reported that the District is close to adopting its first, since 1983, Comprehensive Master Plan and is rewriting its Strategic Plan for 2018-2028. The District also received grants, donations and incentives in excess of \$800,000. These were just a few of the highlights, but all in all, it was a very good year and Director McCarty thanked staff for all their hard work. President Patton also noted his appreciation to staff.

6. Matters from the Public

Peter Boland, 2337 Dewes St., Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. Boland is a 17 year Glenview resident, a member of the GBS Hockey Board and also served on the Citizen Task Force which vetted the proposed 2018 Bond Referendum. He explained there are currently two hockey teams at GBS with all players being Glenview residents; however, to meet the demand, 13 teams would be required. He gave the following reasons why additional ice is warranted. Due to the demand for ice, GBS cannot accommodate all Glenview students who want to play hockey and they end up going to Skokie or other local communities. Sleep is extremely important for high school students as is getting their homework done, but practice and game times end so late at night that many students don't get home till midnight. And the ability to schedule additional tournaments would bring revenue into the community and would be an opportunity to raise funds for the teams. The annual GBS/GBN hockey games have raised over \$25,000 for the Northfield Food Pantry. Mr. Boland feels the Ice Center is in need of updates to stay current with other local rinks. He acknowledged the Board and staff did an outstanding job gathering the information, seeking outside counsel and listening to the community on this topic. He would like the Board to act in the best interests of the community and honor the Task Force recommendation in its entirety and include the bond proposal on the March ballot.

Alex Botrihnik, 1425 Forest Drive, Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. Botrihnik is an 11 year Glenview resident and has played hockey for 40 years around the North Shore. He is also a coach for a boy/girl hockey team and coached the defending Glenview Girls State Championship hockey team. This girls' team has never played a high school game on their home rink and has to practice on the undersized studio rink due to lack of available ice time. A new Ice Center will accommodate more girls' teams since this is the fastest growing sport in the US. An additional girls' team was added this year, but some girls still need to be placed on boys' team since we cannot accommodate them all. Dedicated locker rooms, restrooms and ADA upgrades are all needed at the 44 year old Ice Center. Mr. Botrihnik is looking forward to the proposed new Ice Center.

Carlo Cavallaro, 3535 Vantage Lane, Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. Cavallaro spoke on behalf of the Citizen Task Force members. He explained that the Task Force was representative of many broad views. They were given much information and thoroughly vetted the proposals. They participated in many public meetings, went out and asked the community what they thought and brought that back and discussed and debated what the proposal should be. Mr. Cavallaro feels the Task Force recommendation to the Board embodies what the community desires and feels the voters should be given the ballot question as proposed. He also noted, it is the voters who will ultimately decide.

G. R. Kearney, 735 Glenview Road, Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. Kearney grew up in Glenview and moved back to Glenview in 2013. He coaches his daughter's hockey team. Mr. Kearney explained that even though he and his wife support the proposal, his 82 year old dad is opposed to any expansion of the ice rink and feels his taxes are too high even though he has tried to explain to his dad why a new ice center is needed. Mr. Kearney feels hockey instills resilience and demands more mentally and physically from the kids than any other activity or sport. He urges the Board to approve the Referendum and hopes the voters will too.

Renee Schmidt, 1627 Saratoga lane, Glenview, addressed the Board. Ms. Schmidt is representing the Ice Center and the Glenview Blades skating teams and is the President of the Glenview Blades Parent Board. She noted skating is a sport that fosters friendships, laughter and brings the community together. Those who skate live and believe in skating and often get up at 5:00a.m. due to the lack of ice time in order to excel in the sport and often have to travel to other communities. She would like to see more skaters nationally ranked and able to share those experiences with their teammates. There are currently three synchronized skating teams in Glenview but they only have 50% of the ice time they need. Ms. Schmidt also has a son in hockey so their family spends many hours in the Ice Center lobby doing homework. She would like to see the lobby improved to better accommodate the kids.

Philip West, 1300 Sleepy Hollow, Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. West is a 32 year resident and thought the original proposal asked for a tax increase along with keeping a secondary tax increase that was originally planned to roll off. He wants to know if the second tax is still included in the reduced proposal that was recommended to the Board. Deputy Executive Director Katie Skibbe noted the revised proposal has an estimated tax increase of \$35.69 for a home valued at \$500,000 and relief of the secondary tax would be postponed for another 15 years.

Judy Beck, 808 Raleigh Road, Glenview, addressed the Board. Ms. Beck noted she was representing the Grove Heritage Association (GHA). She thanked the Board for sponsoring an open and public process with detailed information and for providing many opportunities for the public to comment. Judy noted the Board's decision will impact the District's partnerships with skating, conservation and history support groups and its intergovernmental agreements to preserve and maintain open space that supports nature, recreation, air quality and storm water management. The Ice Center and The Grove are well-used assets that are subject to the results of age. She noted "the Board's challenge is to meet its inherited legacy of fiduciary responsibility to its not for profit public system for recreation and conservation that Glenview is so well known for." The GHA hopes the Board will provide the community the opportunity to cast a vote in a March Referendum.

Ted Przybylo, 2928 Peachgate, Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. Przybylo is a former Park Board Commissioner and current Glenview resident. He agreed with Judy Beck's request to give the public the opportunity to vote on the Referendum on the March ballot. Mr. Przybylo referred to the proposed Referendum which addresses the funding and updating of two heavily used Park District facilities. He noted the 35 year old Grove is in need of ADA, safety and exhibit updates, Open Space is a primary mission of the Park District and the Ice Center has the need, demand and demographics to support 2 1/2 sheets of ice. He feels the proposed funding is equal to past major district purchases and funding that built the Ice Center, Park Center, The Grove and the Golf courses. Mr. Przybylo is also concerned with a proposed recommendation (Agenda item: 9.b.ii) to change the way the Ice Center operates if the Referendum passes. He hopes this recommendation's intent is not to treat the users of The Grove or Ice Center any different than other district patrons, e.g., change user fees, since all patrons he feels should be treated equally.

Christy Vazzano Crist, 1735 Wagner Road, Glenview, addressed the Board. Ms. Crist grew up in Glenview and moved back to Glenview 14 years ago with her four children. Her son

and two younger daughters learned to skate at the Ice Center and participated in the Glenview Grizzly and Stars programs. Her oldest daughter, Frankie, who requires special needs, also benefited from participating in Ice Center programs. Frankie went through the “Learn to Skate” programs which gave her not only skating skills but also provided her with a therapeutic social setting. Frankie now instructs the same program that helped her so much. Ms. Crist would like to see the Ice Center project move forward to accommodate the current 46,000 Glenview residents and give families the same opportunities to grow and develop and enjoy the life-long benefits the Ice Center provided to her and her family.

Victor Chigas, 1931 Glen Oak Drive, Glenview, addressed the Board. Mr. Chigas was born and raised in Glenview. He was speaking on behalf of some of the women in his life. He has heard from moms who are in his Co-ed tennis league that the Ice Center is in dire need of updating. He agrees as he recently visited the center since his daughters attend the free skate sessions. His wife is an advocate for The Grove and is involved in its school field trip programs and feels The Grove should be supported. And personally, Mr. Chigas feels funding Open Space, especially for future opportunities, is important and we should be planning for that. He hopes the Board votes in favor of placing this referendum on the ballot.

7. Approved Accounts Payable

Commissioner Roberts moved seconded by Commissioner Peterson to approve payroll and accounts payable for the month of November, 2017 in the amount of \$2,503,482.68. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Katsamakakis, Peterson, Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Dillon, Patton. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

8. Approved Consent Agenda items

President Patton asked for a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 8.a. through 8.q.

Commissioner Katsamakakis moved seconded by Commissioner Casey to approve the Consent Agenda items. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Peterson, Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Dillon, Katsamakakis, Patton. Nays: None. Motion Carried. (Copy of supporting information filed herewith and explained below).

a. Accepted a Staff recommendation to approve the 2018 Outdoor Pools Annual Recommendations.

The changes relate to dates, extending the hours that concessions are open, opening up the pool earlier during the late season hours and minor increases in all fees.

b. Accepted a Staff recommendation to approve the 2018-19 Park Center Annual Recommendations – Section 1: General Operations.

The recommended changes relate to hours on the track, closing the pool earlier on Saturday and Sunday, revising the fitness closure dates in August and extending the hours of Wiggles & Giggles.

c. Accepted a Staff recommendation to approve the 2018-19 Park Center Annual Recommendations – Section 2: Rental Operations.

The changes relate to reducing the Splash Landings hours on Saturday and Sunday, a change in procedure for Lakeview Room rentals, an increase in rental fees and the

addition of rental fees for the use of the Badminton and Pickle ball nets.

- d. **Accepted a Recreation & Swimming Pools Committee recommendation to approve the 2018-19 Park Center Annual Recommendations – Section 3: Fitness Center Operations.**

The changes include a 3% increase in fees and fees to charge non-residents for the use of the Park Center track.

- e. **Accepted a Staff recommendation to approve the 2018-19 Park Center Annual Recommendations – Section 4: Splash Landings Operations.**

The changes relate to reducing the hours on Saturday and Sunday nights as the pool has not been rented during these times and a fee increase.

- f. **Accepted a Staff recommendation to approve the 2018-19 Schram Memorial Chapel Annual Recommendations.**

The changes relate to some minor modifications to the rental procedures to match those at Redfield and Park Center, elimination of the 4.5 hour package (which included a 1.5 hour rehearsal) and a minor increase in fees.

- g. **Accepted the appointment of Florence Present to the July 4th Fundraising Committee.**

- h. **Accepted a Park & Facility Services/Environmental Committee recommendation to accept the bid from Copenhaver Construction, of Gilberts, IL, in the amount of \$77,322 for the Cole Park Fieldhouse Concrete Foundation project.**

- i. **Approved Ordinance 2017–26: Liquidation of Personal Property.**

This is a house keeping item to sell unneeded Park District equipment.

- j. **Approved a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Resolution 2017–27: Designating Purposes and Distribution of Replacement Tax Funds for the Year 2018/2019.**

The following alternate revenue source bonds are bonds that the District intends to pay the debt service on from funds other than through a tax levy. These ordinances confirm that the District has sufficient funds available to pay the annual debt service and is the legal filing required to notify the County Clerk to abate the taxes so that the debt service is not included in the tax levy.

- k. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance 2017-28 abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2017 to pay the Principal of and the interest on \$3,325,000 General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2017B of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois.**

- l. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance 2017–29 abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2017 to pay the Principal of and the interest on \$4,960,000 General Obligation Park Bonds**

(Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2009A of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois.

- m. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance 2017–30 abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2017 to pay the Principal of and the interest on \$3,940,000 General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2011A of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois.**
- n. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance 2017–31 abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2017 to pay the Principal of and the interest on \$4,100,000 General Obligation Park Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2012B of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois.**
- o. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance 2017–32 abating a portion of the tax heretofore levied for the year 2017 to pay debt service on General Obligation Park Refunding Bonds, Series 2012C, of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois.**
This ordinance is the legal filing required to notify the County Clerk to abate the taxes so that a portion of debt service is not included in the tax levy. This year, the District was able to use funds from the Capital Development Fund to reduce the debt service payment instead of levying the full amount. This strategy allows the District to maintain a lower tax levy in the 2017 tax year that funds operations for 2018-19 fiscal year.
- p. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Ordinance 2017-33 abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2017 to pay the Principal of and the interest on \$5,635,000 General Obligation Park Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Series 2013B of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois.**
- q. **Accepted a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve that the pledge donation towards the Glenview Ice Center from the Glenview Stars should be used to pay down the bond for a renovated and expanded Ice Center provided that the Referendum is approved at the March 20, 2018 election.**

9. Committees Reports and Recommendations

- a. **Administrative Operations/Marketing**
 - i) **Approved Ordinance No. 2017-34: An Ordinance Establishing an Updated Sexual Harassment Policy for the Glenview Park District in Order to Comply with Public Act 100-0554.**
Deputy Executive Director Katie Skibbe noted a new Sexual Harassment Policy and Ordinance along with updates to the District’s current Personnel guidelines were needed to comply with recent State of Illinois legislation requiring units of government to adopt an ordinance establishing a policy to prohibit sexual harassment. These items were developed with the guidance of the Park District’s Attorney.

Commissioner Dan Peterson feels there has been a rush to draft this Ordinance and it is not ready to be approved. The introduction infers that sexual harassment is a subset of discrimination but further on lists discrimination and harassment as separate entities. He believes that could give a defense to someone accused of violating the policy that they were not discriminating. He does not want to create a policy that cannot be enforced. Commissioner Peterson also pointed to some grammar that needed correcting.

Commissioner Bill Casey noted the deadline to approve this policy is January 15 so a special meeting would need to be convened before that time in order to pass the policy if it is not approved tonight.

Commissioner Peterson stated that he had submitted his changes previously but they were not acted on. So, if the approval is late, at least the policy will have been vetted thoroughly.

Park District Attorney Jim Rock (Ancel Glink) noted the language for the Policy came from his office; however, the State of Illinois thru its legislation gave direction on what should be included in the policy. Jim explained discrimination is prohibited by the Civil Rights Act and the Illinois Human Rights Act and prohibition of sexual discrimination forms the basis to adopt a sexual harassment policy. That is why discrimination is included in this policy. Jim also pointed out that the Park District Risk Management Agency (PDRMA) which would insure the Park District against any claim also has this same language in their policy. Both PDRMA and attorneys from Ancel Glink felt discrimination should remain in the policy language.

Commissioner Jen Roberts pointed out that attorneys that specialize in HR policies and discrimination issues vetted the policy language. Commissioner Roberts also referred to the EEOC (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission) fact sheet, which notes sexual harassment is a form of discrimination.

Attorney Rock did agree with Commissioner Peterson that some grammar in the policy was incorrect.

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Tosh to accept a staff recommendation to approve a revised Ordinance No. 2017-34 with corrected grammar as noted: An Ordinance Establishing an Updated Sexual Harassment Policy for the Glenview Park District in Order to Comply with Public Act 100-0554. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Dillon, Katsamakias, Patton. Nays: Peterson. Motion Carried.

ii) Approved Sexual Harassment Policy No. 9.71

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Katsamakias to accept a staff recommendation to approve Sexual Harassment Policy No. 9.71. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tosh, Casey, Dillon, Katsamakias, Roberts, Patton. Nays: Peterson. Motion Carried.

- iii) Approved Updated Personnel Guidelines No. 4.13: No Harassment Policy
Commissioner Peterson clarified that the section he did not approve of in the aforementioned Sexual Harassment Ordinance and Policy is not included in these guidelines so he is fine with this document.

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Katsamakakis to accept a staff recommendation to approve the updated Personnel Guidelines No. 4.13 No Harassment Policy. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Casey, Dillon, Katsamakakis, Peterson, Roberts, Tosh, Patton. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

- iv) Committee Update
No Report

b. Finance Committee of the Whole

- i) Approved approve Ordinance No. 2017-35—An Ordinance providing for the issue of \$2,286,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2017C, of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois, for the payment of land for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of said Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to Glenview State Bank.

Commissioner Peterson explained that Glenview State Bank and WinTrust were contacted to solicit bids for the two-year General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2017C. Glenview State Bank submitted a bid with a true interest cost of 1.569% and WinTrust submitted a bid with a trust interest cost of 2.019%. As a result of the low bid, the bond has been re-sized from \$2,285,000 to \$2,286,000. And this ordinance approves the sale of the bond to Glenview State Bank.

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Roberts to accept a staff recommendation to approve Ordinance No. 2017-35: An Ordinance providing for the issue of \$2,286,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2017C, of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois, for the payment of land for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of said Park District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to Glenview State Bank. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dillon, Katsamakakis, Peterson, Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Patton. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

- ii) The Board did not approve the Board President's recommendation as presented pending an approved bond referendum for operation of the Ice Center

President Bob Patton thanked all the public comments that were given tonight on the proposed referendum. He noted he is in favor of the referendum with a few exceptions. He also thanked the 28 members of the Citizen Task Force. He noted 22 Task Force members had kids in Ice or hockey so may have been familiar with much of the information already but the other 6 caught up quickly and he thanked

them all for their hard work.

President Patton gave some background information on the public policy process. He explained that staff prepared and presented a proposed package to take to referendum. This package was prepared without Board input. The Board also did not get involved in the Task Force process in order to not affect the outcome. After three meetings of the Task Force, the members determined that a scaled down version of the package staff proposed should go to Referendum and presented it to the Park Board in November. The Board discussed the Task Force recommendation at their December Finance Committee of the Whole. President Patton noted one issue the Task Force was not asked to address was how the new Ice Center would be operated if the Referendum passed and it was built. The Finance Committee of the Whole discussed this and a Resolution that would govern the operation of the Ice Center was drafted and sent out to the Board. President Patton explained the Resolution or Presidents Recommendation combines two simple recommendations. One: if the Referendum passes the new Ice Center would be operated to break even and should not be subsidized with any further taxes. Two: If the new Ice Center is built and builds up financial reserves, any profits should be returned to the tax payer by reducing portions of the bond and interest levy. President Patton feels these two recommendations are fair since we are asking a tax increase of all taxpayers on a facility that only 6% of residents use. And the 94% of taxpayers who don't use the facility should not be taxed again down the road to subsidize its operation. President Patton noted all of the major Park District projects in the last 10 years combined cost only slightly more than the \$30 million dollars being allocated for this proposal. He also feels allocating \$30 million for this one proposal will limit future Boards on what they can spend and borrow. President Patton believes the Ice Center should break even and be profitable in year three based on the Pro Forma and the demand for ice that was presented to the Task Force. President Patton reiterated he is in favor of going to Referendum and letting the taxpayers decide. He, as a resident, does not mind being taxed to build a new Ice Center because he believes in investing in Glenview and feels it would be wasteful to try to repair the current Ice Center.

Commissioner Jen Roberts noted the financing of the Ice Center had been discussed for many, many months. However, the market clearing rates, mentioned in the President Recommendation, to all users including affiliates, had not been discussed enough. She feels market clearing rates are not reasonable for us as a government entity because of our unique issues and that ice time is not a fungible. Also our mission and guiding principles are clear and as a not for profit, we have relationships with our affiliates. The Board has the opportunity to adjust fees for residents and nonresidents annually during our review of annual recommendations. Commissioner Roberts would like to know how and when these rates would be monitored. She noted we may initially profit from charging market clearing rates but may also drive our residents away from our programs and also be changing our mission. Commissioner Roberts feels the Pro Forma has been discussed and studied but the details of the President Recommendation have not and they should be further discussed at a Finance Committee. She is not approving of the market clearing rates to all users in this recommendation as it stands.

Commissioner Dan Peterson noted that market clearing rates have been discussed during the annual Ice Center recommendations for at least the last two years and is not a new concept. He feels the reason we do not have enough ice time is because we charge below the market clearing rates. As noted by one of the public speakers tonight that there is no prime time ice available for GBS hockey is because the Glenview Stars have first pick of those times and even if someone wanted to pay more for prime time ice, they could not. Commissioner Peterson feels the District is losing money by operating this way and has been for the last 10 years. The direct costs are covered but any capital replacement needs are not. Commissioner Peterson also noted the Board was asked to wait for the Task Force recommendation before getting involved. Once the Board received its recommendation, the market clearing rates were brought forward for discussion.

Commissioner Peterson in response to Philip West's question during the public comment session wanted to clarify that in the absence of doing something on this bond proposal, in five years when the pool bonds are paid off taxes will go down \$50.00 on a \$500,000 home. So the real cost of this bond proposal is a tax of \$85.00 annually for 20 years for the average homeowner and therefore we owe it to our residents to have the Ice Center break even.

Commissioner Bill Casey noted this recommendation was discussed at a Finance Committee and was voted down; as was many times the option to charge market clearing rates. He feels this is a parliamentary procedure to bypass the Committee. Commissioner Casey feels this recommendation was sent out at the 11th hour and is surprised that this one issue would cause President Patton to vote against the Referendum recommendation. He noted our policies for enterprise funds have allowed our patrons to have access to recreational facilities without having to leave Glenview and the Board has always tried to keep these facilities profitable. He is concerned with this concept possibly affecting our Aaa bond rating and feels this President Recommendation should be vetted further in Committee and not voted on tonight.

President Patton disagreed with Commissioner Casey that the Finance Committee voted his recommendation down but in fact had asked him to draft a Resolution which the Board had eight days to consider. He also takes issue with this being characterized as an 11th hour ploy since the first time the Board was able to discuss this was at the last Finance Committee after they received the Task Force recommendation. President Patton would be willing to delay the Referendum vote to a future Board meeting to further discuss this. He noted one of the District's most important missions is to be fiscally responsible and cannot justify paying \$30 million dollars on a facility that is not profitable.

Commissioner Peterson noted that this is different than how we operate other special revenue facilities because we are raising taxes to expand the Ice Center based on the demand for ice time so we need to make sure we are profitable.

Commissioner Dave Dillon noted the many facility projects the District has done over the last five years have been for the adults; this one if for the kids. He believes

the District needs a larger facility for the community and he doesn't want to tie this issue in the Presidents recommendation to the Referendum. He feels this should be vetted in Committee.

President Patton moved seconded by Commissioner Peterson to approve the Board President recommendation that if a new or renovated and expanded ice center is approved by referendum on March 20, 2018 and built, it will operate as an enterprise fund, structured and managed to cover all operating costs, capital replacement, general administration and building up and maintaining an appropriate fund balance in line with District policy on reserves (service of the debt to build/renovate the Ice Center not included). This ice center is not intended to be subsidized by tax revenue or funds from other District operations, and shall charge market clearing rates to all users, including affiliates of the Park District, if necessary to at least break even from a financial perspective. The Board further resolves that, if this referendum is approved, once an adequate reserve is built up in the fund balance, any annual surpluses in the ice operations should be returned to the taxpayer annually through abating portions of the bond & interest levy. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Peterson, Patton. Nays: Katsamakakis, Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Dillon. Motion Failed.

- iii) Approved Resolution 2017-36: Providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition to issue \$17,000,000 general obligation park bonds to the voters of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois, at the general primary election to be held on the 20th day of March, 2018.

Commissioner Dan Peterson is in favor of expanding the Ice Center and renovating the Interpretive Center at The Grove; however, he is not in favor of raising taxes to improve the Grove entrance at a cost of \$650,000 or to fund Open Space at a cost of one million dollars. Commissioner Peterson does not feel \$650,000 warrants raising taxes since the Park District completes projects like this all the time. Also, he feels Open Space can be acquired through developer donations and does not require raising taxes to fund it.

Commissioner Peterson moved to amend the motion on the floor to remove the safety and security improvements at The Grove and the fund to purchase land for park purposes and therefore reduce the size of the project by \$1.65 million to \$31.45 million and reduce the amount of bonds to be issued by \$1.65 million from \$17 million down to \$15.35 million. ***The motion failed due to a lack of a second.***

Commissioner Roberts moved seconded by Commissioner Dillon to accept a Finance Committee of the Whole recommendation to approve Resolution No. 2017-36: A resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition to issue \$17,000,000 general obligation park bonds to the voters of the Glenview Park District, Cook County, Illinois, at the general primary election to be held on the 20th day of March, 2018. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Dillon, Katsamakakis. Nays: Peterson, Patton. Motion Carried. ***Note: President Patton prefaced his vote by saying he was voting no on approving Resolution 2017-36***

because he could not vote for an open-ended and repetitive tax that only benefits 6% of Park District residents.

c. Park & Facility Services/Environmental

i) Update: Comprehensive Master Plan

Committee Chair Jen Roberts reported Steve Konters from Hitchcock Design Group presented an updated draft of the Comprehensive Master Plan and Final 10-Year Action Plan to the Committee. The changes that were made to the plan were based on feedback received from Board and staff. To allow ample time for final comment, staff will bring the draft plan back to Committee on January 11th, with the anticipation of adoption of the Comprehensive Master Plan and Final 10-Year Action Plan at the January 25th Park Board meeting.

ii) Update: Strategic Plan

Committee Chair Jen Roberts also reported that Barbara Heller from Heller & Heller Consulting presented options for new Mission and Vision Statements, and lead the discussion on finalizing the list of Guiding Principles. The Strategy Map was reviewed, and suggestions were made to revise a few portions of the map. Also, the draft list of Strategic Initiatives was reviewed by Committee for further input. The revised document will be reviewed at the January 11th Committee meeting.

iii) Committee Update

No Report

d. Recreation & Swimming Pools

i) Update: Boating 2017

Superintendent of Leisure Services Elsa Fischer reported that a bird study was done and there was no correlation between bird population and water craft use. For the first boating season, 49 permits were sold and an end of season survey produced favorable comments. Permits for the 2018 season will be available in April.

Committee Chair Dave Tosh commented that the most important update is that we had a very safe season, boaters followed the rules and there were no issues.

ii) Update: July 4th

The Committee was also given an update on July 4th.

iii) Committee Update

Committee Chair Dave Tosh reported the Committee discussed charging non-residents to use the track at Park Center and the possibility of installing a security door to monitor members, residents and non-residents use. The Committee also discussed raising fitness membership fees 3% for 2018 since they have not been raised in 3 years.

10. Matters from Commissioners

Commissioner Dave Tosh recognized Senior Center staff member Renee Tolnai who retired today. He acknowledged how great Renee was with the seniors as she was a friend to many. Commissioner Tosh noted Renee was a wonderful addition to the Senior Center and after

seeing her smiling face for the past 4.5 years, she will truly be missed.

Commissioner Jen Roberts expressed how heartwarming it was to see how much time both the Task Force Members and Park District staff were willing to put into working on the Public Policy process and Bond proposal. With everyone's busy lives, it was wonderful to see their commitment to this endeavor. She recognized just how important the Park District staff is and for all they do. She really enjoyed attending the Holiday party with staff and thought it was a great way to celebrate the year.

Commissioner Bill Casey also enjoyed attending the Holiday party. He acknowledged Rick Peterson, who is the Glenview Titan Aquatic Club's (GTAC) head coach, and his battle with Leukemia. Rick has done a great job and we wish him all the best. Because of Coach Peterson, five GTAC girls have gone to the State Finals: Alexis Kachkin, Nomun Saintur, Emsela Orucevic, Catherine Devine and Kate Solem.

Commissioner Casey also gave his perspective on the election training the Board attended that morning. He noted in the past, Commissioners were never permitted to participate in or publicly show their support or opposition for a Park District Referendum that was placed on the ballot; however today, their first amendment rights allow them to. He feels this is troubling because of board member's opposing views on this matter; it could cause dissension among the Board. He feels the Board should continue to work together and stand on the sidelines during this Referendum process. He acknowledged that they have become a better Board the last few years and he would hate to see that change. He wished everyone Happy Holidays and Commissioner Peterson luck in his half marathon.

Commissioner Dave Dillon understands the process can be taxing, but he appreciates hearing the opposing viewpoints. He feels the Board has done a lot of work to vet this thoroughly for the community. He thanked everyone for their participation and involvement.

President Patton wished the press that were present happy holidays and thanked them for always covering the meetings. He also wish the Board, staff and everyone present a happy holiday season.

11. Correspondence

None.

12. Adjourned to Executive Session—Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 et seq. to discuss Sub-section c21: Minutes

No Executive Session was held.

13. Action on items that were discussed in Executive Session

a. Approved the Executive Session meeting minutes from the November 16, 2017 Executive Session Board Meeting

The executive session minutes will remain confidential pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06 Ch. 102, par. 42.06 (f).

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Dillon to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes from the November 16, 2017 Executive Session Board Meeting. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Roberts, Tosh, Casey, Dillon, Katsamakias, Peterson, Patton. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

14. Adjourned

Commissioner Peterson moved seconded by Commissioner Dillon to adjourn the Open Session at 8:30 p.m. On Voice Vote; all present voted Aye. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Robert J. Patton
Board President

Michael D. McCarty
Board Secretary

Approved this 25th day of January, 2018