## MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2018 SPECIAL PROJECTS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT 999 GREEN BAY ROAD, GLENCOE, ILLINOIS 60022

The meeting was called to order at 7:45pm and roll was called.

<u>Committee Members present</u>: Dudley Onderdonk, Chair/Treasurer Lisa Brooks, President Stefanie Boron, Vice President Steve Gaines, Commissioner Josh Lutton, Commissioner

<u>Staff present</u>: Lisa Sheppard, Executive Director/Secretary Chris Leiner, Director of Parks/Maintenance Bobby Collins, Director of Recreation/Facilities

## Members of the Public in attendance who signed in or spoke: Phil Kiraly

Matters from the Public: There were no matters from the public.

Discussion on Old Green Bay Trail Linear Park System: Executive Director Sheppard shared that Village Manager Phil Kiraly was attending the meeting to discuss working collaboratively on the trail project. The Village owns and maintains the Green Bay Trail and has the opportunity for grant funds not available to the Park District. OSLAD grants are in the Illinois budget for \$29 million; Lisa recommended the Board consider for either the Old Green Bay Trail or Lakefront Park as potential OSLAD projects. Kiraly reviewed items from the Active Transportation Commission meetings.

The committee discussed common transportation paths and issues in those areas. Ideas included ways to separate serious bikers and walkers. Ideas for the path included a meandering path made of crushed limestone, path width from eight to ten feet dependent upon tree patterns, remove and replace trees to allow for a wider path, keep the existing sidewalk, interspersing fitness equipment/other activities/benches/ etc. along the path, and sunken park to remain open for pickup games. When replacing the playground it is important to include picnic tables and shade seating for its current use as a gathering place for parents and nannies. Staff will look into the feasibility of adding bike lanes on the existing road.

Phil Kiraly mentioned that a Village Committee is considering a legacy gift for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Some items mentioned casually were the Green Bay Trail or amphitheater at Wyman Green. The committee did not want a sculpture. The committee will be soliciting suggestions on idea Boards by the Village Hall in July.

Sheppard gave an overview of the Board's preferences including an eight to ten foot meandering limestone path, open space, develop the playground and gathering space in linear parks where the existing playground is located, benches/exercise

equipment/interactive equipment throughout linear parks, and possibly a dancing fountain spray park as a donor item.

The Board also liked the idea of freshening up Veterans Park and the memorial. Ideas included better ADA accessibility and lowering the monument to ground level. An idea emerged about making an entrance to the trail and having the path go through the monument; the stone sitting wall did not have to remain. The Board does like the roses and feel they are part of the Glencoe legacy, although Director Leiner stated that a third of them are replaced annually. The Board suggested the entrance, monument, and section of trail as a possible legacy gift. Executive Director Sheppard also shared the idea of having stones or plaques along the trail to highlight the history or Glencoe. This could be a potential gift idea also.

The committee gave direction to staff to have Altamanu move forward with the ideas for this plan. The committee asked for the base design and then smaller projects that can be broken out and completed over time. Another idea included the expansion of the natural areas, making the buffer between homes and District property a natural area 15-20 feet deeper.

<u>Update on Park Projects</u>: Executive Director Sheppard then updated the committee on ongoing capital projects. Vernon Playground has started equipment installation. We are working with the construction company on Takiff's bioswales. We met with architects on the next phase of Takiff parking. It is going to be a disruption to normal operations, so we are working on the logistics to manage that disruption. Breakwater Sculpture repairs are about 85-90% complete and should be finished today or tomorrow, weather dependent.

Matters from the Public: There were no matters from the public.

Other Business: The committee discussed ongoing projects.

<u>Adjourn</u>: Commissioner Gaines moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:04pm. Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Sheppard Secretary