

CITY OF PROSPECT HEIGHTS
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 14, 2022

Present: Agnes Wojnarski, Chairperson Seth Marcus
 Peter Hahn Jill E. Moskal, Recording Secretary
 Ed Madden Dana Sievertson

Guest: Peter Falcone, Assistant City Administrator
Absent: John Kamysz

NOTE: Meeting held virtually via Zoom. Meeting ID: 811 4502 6417

OPENING ITEMS

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Central Time by Agnes Wojnarski.

Roll Call

Roll Call proceeded. All Commissioners were present except John Kamysz. However, a quorum was present.

Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 9, 2022

The minutes of the Prospect Heights Natural Resources Commission Board Meeting of June 9, 2022, were reviewed, No changes or corrections were noted: Therefore, the meeting minutes of June 9, 2022 were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Volunteer Workdays

Our volunteer workday of June 12, 2022 was conducted at the ComEd Seeded Prairie where volunteers brush cut the overrun of highly invasive Callery Pear Trees. ComEd work crew removed the majority of this invasive, and PHNRC interns followed-up with stump treatment; however, quite a few outliers exist in the west prairie.

Our volunteer workday of June 26, 2022 was conducted at Pollinator Park at Hillcrest Lake where volunteers planted native shrubs, removed the last of the buckthorn, mulberries and sweet clover, installed new interactive signage, and made the site ready for new plugs and seeds in the coming month. Also, an adjustment was made to the solstice garden

Our volunteer workday of July 10 was conducted at the Slough starting at PHNRC Headquarters at 9 East Marion for transplanting. The next phase of the shoreline restoration project is scheduled to begin in August, and the Pollinator Park project will be concluding with plantings and the ongoing Boardwalk Grants, so transplanting has taken priority by removing all the grasses, sedges and rushes from their 1” pots into 2” cups, the final stop in the road to site installation.

Twenty-one (21) volunteers were present on July 10, and 4,000 plants were transplanted or one-tenth of the objective, which made it a great workday.

Currently, the NRC has logged 1,529 volunteer hours which is over the amount of volunteer hours typically recorded at this time of year. People are really coming out to volunteer, and new volunteers are present at each workday.

2022 Interns

Our summer interns have four weeks’ left of the Program. They are great young people and hard workers! Their last day will be Wednesday, August 10, where the traditional prairie visit to two or three special sites is planned. Lunch is included for our farewell day with them. All Commissioners are invited to attend.

Prospect Heights Public Library/Park District Events

Nature Speaks Program

Seth recommended Dan Jaffe Wilder as a guest speaker to present naturalizing your lawn. The topic of Mr. Wilder’s lecture is “Kill Your Lawn.” Dana spoke with Mr. Wilder who, after checking our website, felt we were a worthwhile cause; therefore, he agreed to speak at the October 20, 2022 Nature Speaks Program and lowered his standard fee. Dana will create a webpage on the PHNRC website on Dan Jaffe Wilder.

Dates for the Nature Speaks Program for next year or 2023 have been received from Terri Campbell at the Public Library. We seek to enlist Grace Hart, Alveole Urban Beekeeper. Alveole is a global beekeeping company that collaborates with businesses to further their sustainability efforts. ComEd partners with Alveole for the past three years to install and maintain the beehives, which harvest 42.65 kilograms of honey for local communities along the way. We also seek to enlist the Oak Park painter with the Chicago Botanical Gardens, Andrew Sechin. Both are potential new speakers to the Program.

Dana mentioned Dr. Robert Lee Zarr, Founder of Park Rx America, who was the Nature Speaks Program presenter on June 23, 2022, spoke with Dana after the Program. PHNRC did not host a Zoom dinner with Dr. Zarr but a Zoom luncheon meeting. During the Zoom lunch, Dr. Zarr expressed interested in partnering with the PHNRC to promote his and our platforms. His said we are the embodiment of what can be accomplished with a grassroots organization of reaching out to people and building things. Perhaps the NRC would have a draw. He feels the best way for us to help him would be to target doctors who prescribe to patients and go through the process of educating them and create programs that would outreach using his resources and contacts to prescribe things, and we would be the local source.

The NRC is hard pressed to add new initiatives, especially with the Shoreline Restoration project soon to start, but is a topic for further discussion.

Ed felt something could be done, and this is an area where Ed could contribute to market our Commission targeting organizations for a dual outreach and education. Local doctors could prescribe us, and we would gain new volunteers. It is a known psychological fact and logical connection that one feels better when engaged with Mother Nature.

Dr. Zarr feels starting with the end user is a big task, so instead Dr. Zarr suggests outreach would be to one or two doctors who embrace the entire process and know they have the potential of positively affecting thousands of people annually. There is merit to think about it. Ed will investigate doctors with a holistic approach to treatment.

Jill cautioned of liability, especially if a person was prescribed nature and discovered their health and well-being did not improve.

This is an opportunity for an educational focus of what people can do to improve their general health. However, we must avoid misrepresentation.

Park District Classes

A Park District class entitled Invasive Plants and Native Plants and conducted by Seth Marcus will be held on August 1 and August 8 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. (outdoors). Students will learn about the native species of plants in our prairie, savannas, and woodlands and how they benefit our environment and one's yard. Students will also learn about why invasive species are harmful. The class will be held outdoors.

Currently, few people have registered, and the class has limited enrollment. An issue exists on how the class is promoted.

Going forward, suggestions for conducting a class to the public on native plants could be held either through the Public Library or the District 214 adult curriculum of classes.

An additional Park District Class is the History of the Slough Tour to be conducted by Agnes and Dana on September 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. The class will start at the Izaak Walton Pavilion followed by a tour of the Boardwalk sections.

The Fall Bird Walks are scheduled for Saturday, September 17, 2022 and Saturday, October 8, 2022 starting at 7:30 a.m.

A Pop-Up Art Sale is planned for September 24, 2022 at the Izaak Walton Pavilion. This could be the anchor event for Prairie Week.

We do not have a date from the Library for Prairie Week. Nature Speaks Programs are fixed dates.

History of the Slough will be offered during a tour of the Slough on September 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. The starting point is the Izaak Walton Pavilion.

District 214: Buffalo Grove Prairie Update

The Buffalo Grove Prairie experienced a huge run of crabgrass. The students carefully removed the crabgrass from the native grasses. Agnes was present. There were a couple of casualties among the native grasses; therefore, native seeds will be disbursed.

The students are doing an excellent job in caring for their prairie site.

Agrivoltaics: Producing Solar Energy While Protecting Farmland – Seth Marcus

Seth reported receipt of positive feedback from many entities on this endeavor.

The whole objective of the endeavor is to use open space in Prospect Heights, and open space in Prospect Heights translates to ComEd land. ComEd recognizes the usefulness of Agrivoltaics. However, restrictions exist for ComEd on what they can do on their land. ComEd is restricted from placing solar panels on ComEd right-of-way. Therefore, the NRC is unable to pursue this endeavor currently.

The PHNRC appreciated Seth's bringing Agrivoltaics to our attention and his investigative efforts.

Slough Boardwalk Project

A second round of regeneration of cattails and the sedges that we planted have appeared. This weekend, our former intern, Jeremy, will wick the cattails pushing them back a bit more. Cattails are in a very wet environment, making it a challenge to keep this invasive under control.

Cattails spread in two ways: Seeds made by their flowers and roots that creep called rhizomes. Rhizomes grow new shoots quickly creating thick stands that are great cover for many animals. Cattails use the wind to spread their fluffy seeds but spreading of millions of seeds does not mean that each seed produces a new cattail.

This is the last year of the Grant. Therefore, the interpretative signs must be completed, and a report must be filed by December 31, 2022.

For the remainder of the year, our focus will be on the balance of work to do with the plants, landscaping, and signage.

Agnes offered an idea of placing the cute informational signs used for Pollinator Park be utilized in a small or medium size along the Board Walk by attaching the signs to the existing anchor posts along the Board Walk. A coupling could be placed on the anchor post to raise the height for an interpretative sign. We anticipate \$1,400 in our budget to accommodate this sign option.

Pollinator Park – Landscaping Design

Dana reported that the lilies ordered for the aquatic planting will be shipped on Monday, July 18, 2022 and installed between Weds., July 20 and Thursday, July 21 by the interns.

Seth commented that the ponds at Deer Grove have an aquatic plant that blooms a purple flower. Agnes said this is Pickleweed. Pickleweed is a conservative native species that prefers shallow water and stable pools. Pickleweed does not like fast-moving water. Pickleweed grows best in isolated small areas that are secluded and where the water does not as much wave action.

Further, Agnes said we had planted pickleweed in the exposure as part of the original ComEd planting eight years' ago, but it eventually went away because of the wave action. The only area where Pickleweed survived was the inlet.

Promotional Materials Update

Our budget has \$1,000 from the Hyndman Grant to use. Dana did not receive decisions from Commissioners on purchases, such as, hats with embroidered patch and shirts with 4" logo. Dana will resend the information, and he requested responses.

Shoreline Restoration Project 2022

Dana reported that the core logs, erosion protection blankets and stakes have been ordered.

The project budget is a fixed budget at \$6,000 per year, but there is a variable that we took at an average. Therefore, each year, do X amount per year. Restore the most critical areas first, and the critical areas are larger, so they exceed the average. Therefore, we had to figure out with the funding being fixed at \$6,000 per year and the linear foot expense being well over this amount. At the end of it, little of that but a lot of funding.

Working with Peter Falcone, Peter suggested we simply scale the project back for the first year and stay within the confines of the \$6,000 budget.

When approached for a fresh quote on the materials from Haines, the original target was 165 linear feet for this year. The prices provided were astronomical. For the first pricing quotes for the Project, the basis was a five-year project, so we were instructed to increase the expense of the core logs by 10% each year. Based on that chart, Haines provided pricing of core logs for two years in advance. However, what is the largest cost is a delivery fee of \$1,700. This is way over budget. Haines offered a suggestion that we pick up the materials.

Dana contacted his neighbor, Eric, who works with several contractors in Logistics. Eric's manager agrees to deliver the core logs to us at a reduced fee and a caveat that any amount over would be a donation. Therefore, the delivery fee is \$800. This process permits us to order 150 feet of core logs instead of 100 feet to come within the budget. Our sincerest appreciation to Eric for making this happen so seamlessly and to accomplish our objectives.

Core logs (150 feet), erosion blankets and oak stakes have been ordered. The erosion blankets and oak stakes will be delivered next week. Next to order is jute rope and staples then obtain fill dirt.

Dana and Agnes will meet with John to delineate where the area of 150 feet should occur.

This project must begin soon because we only have our interns for four more weeks. Driving stakes in a clay bottom is extremely hard work. Every Wednesday is the one day of the week that installing the core logs and having the initial stabilization will occur.

Path Maintenance at Worksite

The Interns are doing an excellent job in keeping the paths open at our sites open and usable. They have had enough training to work on the paths once a week. However, the paths can always use a touch up.

Seth works at path maintenance, but it is discouraged to continue path maintenance when encountering the amount of poison ivy present. Is there a way in the medium term to devise a plan in eradicating poison ivy especially by the paths?

Agnes said part of the vegetation is overgrown, so herbiciding the poison ivy will also target good plants. Further, you cannot apply herbicide in hot weather. The timing for herbiciding poison ivy and other invasive plants is early in the season, like the month of May. Unfortunately, are interns start in the summer not in the spring. Therefore, we will try to do as much as we can.

Garlon is the herbicide utilized, but it cannot be used in high temperatures. When sprayed it will destroy what is around it, so the result is a dead zone. We must target poison ivy very early or maybe in the fall when the temperatures drop.

Seed/Greenhouse Program

The PHNRC has over 40,000 plants in inventory. Last Sunday's workday was amazing with 21 volunteers who transplanted 4,000 seedlings from 1" to 2" cells. Watering is key, and Dana's granddaughter has been watering four hours every day.

We are in decent shape to meet projects' objectives, as well as have plants for next year.

Transplanting Wednesdays has concluded for this season. Next, we will focus on installing plants around the shoreline. Dana and Seth will concentrate on the corner area.

Independence Day Parade – July 2, 2022

The PHNRC extends great appreciation to all those who participated with us in the Independence Day Parade and for the time and efforts involved. The parade proved to be a joyous, meaningful event. Everyone came together, and much love and warmth were expressed with the community.

The NRC is grateful to John who was the originator of how we would participate in this year's parade, for working days and evenings to organize our participation, creating and producing the special animals and puppets, and consistent e:mailing messaging to keep all informed and on schedule. The NRC is also appreciative of John and Kristen's hospitality in providing beverages, food and their home for participants to plan and work on their projects.

The NRC is grateful for Ed in monitoring our progress, recording portions of the parade and taking numerous photographs.

A special note of appreciation to Kate Tully who made our float out of a sheer force of will.

The PHNRC also participated in the 4th of July Arlington Heights Parade, which was completely different but incredible! Many parts of the parade route had people 10 feet deep and standing shoulder to shoulder. The welcome that our group received was phenomenal. Our parade float and creations received applause as we walked by. The NRC feels that both parades were a culmination of joy from our communities.

Dana said the osprey that flew overhead with the fish in his mouth as we lined up in the St. Alphonsus parking lot was a telling sign.

The PHNRC Float received an award as the #1 Float in the Non-Commercial Section of the Arlington Heights 4th of July Parade. This is significant because most Arlington Heights Parade floats (96) were Non-Commercial.

River Trails Seed Giveaway – June 4, 2022

Dana will deliver 150 Prairie in a Packet native seed packets to the River Trails Park District on Monday, July 18, 2022. This giveaway is like the Prospect Heights Public Library Seed Giveaway on June 4, 2022. River Trails Park District is very appreciative.

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Camp – August 2022

Laura, the Camp Coordinator from the Prospect Heights Park District, said Summer Camp is the week of August 8 and inquired if we would participate on consecutive days of August 8 and 9 or either one of these days. After a brief discussion, Commissioners determined that a half-day or the morning of August 9 (Tuesday) would be agreeable at The Nature Preserve, Gary Morava Recreational Center.

The PHNRC will have five (5) stations:

Seth = Skins and Skulls
Ed = Creek Monitoring and Insects
Arts and Crafts = Kate and Maura of The Sunshine Group
Nature Walk = Agnes
Interns Interactive and Active Game = Eric and Evie

Illinois Prairie Week – September 18 – 24, 2022

Prairie Week is celebrated in the State of Illinois during the third full week in the month of September. This year, Illinois Prairie Week is September 18 – 24, 2022. Commissioners discussed the draft outline of activities, tours, etc., for Illinois Prairie Week that Jill prepared. A proposed schedule is as follows:

September 17 (Saturday)	7:30-9:30 a.m.: Fall Bird Walk with Mary Lou Mellon, Bird Conservation Network
September 18 (Sunday)	Regularly Scheduled Volunteer Workday
Sept 19 (Monday), Sept 20 (Tuesday) or Sept 22 (Thurs.):	Contact District 214 and District 23 to schedule a Day at the Prairie at the ComEd Prairie with MacArthur JH School and Betsey Ross Elementary School. The Sensory Table exercise involves the children feeling and smelling a plant then going in search of it. NOTE: Seth may be unavailable the week of Sept 18.
September 21 (Weds.)	AM: History of the Prairie Tour at the ComEd Seeded Prairie PM: Special Seed Collection Wednesday
September 22 (Thurs.)	Nature Speaks Program dates are arranged in advance. Therefore, the next 2022 Nature Speaks program is October 20, 2022.
September 24 (Saturday)	Pop-Up Art Show – Izaak Walton Pavilion

Commissioners should forward ideas for Prairie Week, and we will continue to discuss this topic.

MacArthur Junior High School Prairie

Stephanie Ritter at MacArthur JHS has been asking us to naturalize an area around the school for an educational space. Stephanie has contacted the school's Grounds Crew and Administration, including involving the principal. However, no meeting has been scheduled. PHNRC is awaiting the school's proposal, seeing where we may help and then meeting with them.

Ed mentioned a natural area at the far south end of the school property and a good distance away from the school building and car and school traffic.

The NRC was made aware of a detention basin on the property that is wet all the time and causing issues.

Treasurer's Report

John Kamysz provided Commissioners with an updated copy of our City of Prospect Heights FY2022-23 NRC Budget, which was supplied by Peter Falcone and includes the Capital Budget for shoreline restoration. John stated that Dana has held discussions with the Park District about corrections to our budget for Pollinator Park.

In John's absence from the meeting, Dana reported the following:

A recent Purchase Order for Trays on July 13, 2022 – \$824.70.
Net Revenue in General Operating Budget is currently \$9,701.
Shoreline Restoration Balance is \$1,696.30. From this amount:
Purchase of Staples at an estimated cost of \$80.
Trucking company delivery fee of the core logs of \$800
Balance will be to pay for Fill Dirt for the Shoreline Restoration project.

Of the \$9,701 balance, the Interns salary of four weeks left with the Summer Internship Program (two Interns) and \$1,000 remaining from the Hyndman Grant for apparel purchases or promotional items.

The Park District and Accounting for the Board Walk Grant: Our records are different from their records. We show \$2,000 remaining with \$1,400 earmarked for signage. The Park District records show a negative \$1,700. We believe the Park District has accrued the Intern hours from last year.

Peter Falcone spoke with Christina Ferraro. The City's Finance Department is working with the PHPD Finance Department to correct the budget.

Although we have distributed a few brochures, we still have an inventory of the University of Illinois Extension beautiful 8.5" x 11" brochures on native plants. We can purchase more, if necessary. The price is the same.

Pete Hahn is interested in building a structure at Pollinator Park to hold informational brochures. However, he is concerned that the city and/or residents may not like a structure obscuring their view of Hillcrest Lake. Agnes and Dana will meet with Mark Roscoe of Public Works and advise.

Commissioners' Site Monitoring Reports

ComEd Seeded Prairie (Dana Sievertson)

The prairie is entering mid-summer form, and everything should be blooming in one to two weeks. The communities of plants are tight, leaving little room for invasives. Every year, this gets better; however, there are always things to manage.

The late spring Callery Pear roundup worked wonders on the problem. Much appreciation to ComEd, Stantec and the interns for making that happen.

The far west sector still has the best biodiversity; however, I view progress everywhere. It is mandatory that the seeded prairie receives a prescribed burn this fall or Spring 2023 and then reseed select areas. There remains an abundance of Eurasian grass that needs to be eradicated.

I view less Canada Goldenrod and tighter concentration of groups that have fought back. Much more grass-leaved Goldenrod, False Sunflowers, Swollen Sunflower, Wild Senna, Sawtooth Sunflower, Tall Goldenrod, etc. Rattlesnake Master, Cup Plants, Prairie Dog and Compass Plant are quite prolific. It is another year of progress; however, a prescribed burn is a necessity.

The morning of July 14, 2022, a media event was held at the ComEd Seeded Prairie. All public relations' factors were present and were complimentary of what they saw, and they wanted to know more about what we do. Several tours, both group and single, will be conducted at all our worksites.

WGN News, Channel 7 and Fox News were present for coverage the evening of July 14, 2022 at 6:00 and 10:00 p.m. WGN livestreamed the event. Sara Race from ComEd, Grace Hart, the beekeeper, and I were speakers. I was flattered by how complimentary Sara and Grace were about our work and our mission. I expressed appreciation to all the support we have received and continue to receive from ComEd, our city government, the Park District, our fellow colleagues, and our volunteers.

Sara Race is initiating a new environmental justice program and was interested in speaking with Evie, our summer intern.

Heron Pond (John Kamysz)

The grass has been cut at Heron Pond since the last report.

The path is trimmed and passable.

Growth, growth and continued growth of our planted species; however, also growth of buckthorn resprouts.

Hillcrest Lake/Pollinator Park Project

John reported that the planted prairie sections are phenomenal! Everything is blooming, and the diversity is fantastic.

The trails are trimmed.

The solstice rocks are repositioned and untouched from vandals.

Looking forward to beginning the shoreline restoration along the south end of the Lake.

Nature Preserve (Gary Morava) (Pete Hahn)

Pete Hahn toured the Nature Preserve on July 13, 2022 and found plants in summer shape. Peter noticed some plants are blooming especially Butterfly Milkweed.

For the first time, Pete has seen acorns on the bur oak planted about four or five years' ago. Peter briefly spoke with two residents who were appreciative for the oaks and the trim work on the walking paths.

Peter noticed the meeting area by the steppingstones is getting used a lot and is in need of work. Also, as noted in previous reports, the steppingstones are in poor shape and have deteriorated since the last report. Heavy rains have moved the steppingstones and, in Pete's opinion, are dangerous.

Remnant Prairie (Seth Marcus)

No report was provided.

Remnant Sedge Meadow (Jill Moskal)

Jill was unable to conduct a thorough review of the Remnant Sedge Meadow for sedges because of disturbing two Red-Winged Blackbirds by my presence. Sedges are especially found near railroad tracks, per Agnes, but I was unable to cover that ground.

Previously, I learned that the Remnant Sedge Meadow has 15 diverse types of sedges (Carex), such as Bulrush, Soft-Stemmed Bulrush, Dark Green Bulrush and Nodding Bulrush. Dudley's Rush and Spike Rush are present.

Crested Sedge (Carex Cristela) is a perennial sedge about 1.5' to 2.5' tall. Infertile shoots produce rosette-like clusters of arching leaves, while fertile shoots produce culms (stems) with alternate leaves, culms of the latter terminate in narrow inflorescences.

Common Milkweed is growing in several areas of the Sedge Meadow, even in the Cattails. Dark Green Bulrush, Nodding Bulrush and Swamp Milkweed are present and growing.

Canada Thistle and plenty of invasive woody species, like Dogwood and Willow Tree sprouts are present.

Canada Thistle and Teasel (Teasel dipsacus fullonum) were located throughout the Sedge Meadow with some areas near Old Willow Road that were quite thick. However, in the middle of the Sedge Meadow south of the Cattail rea, Teasel stands have been herbicided.

Ox Eye Daisy (Leucanthemum vulgare) is present. Ox Eye Daisy is a widespread flowering plant native to Europe and the temperate regions of Asia. Ox Eye Daisy was an introduced plant to North America, Australia and New Zealand.

Yellow Loosestrife (lysimachia punctate) is a perennial plant with great ornamental value producing sturdy, upright stems loaded with abundant spikes of cup-shaped golden yellow flowers and fringed with red at their heart. Yellow Loosestrife blooms for weeks from late spring to late summer.

Saint Alphonsus (Ed Madden)

Ed reported that all is well at the Saint Alphonsus prairie. The plants look healthy. From a distance, the area looks mono-prolific; however, upon closer viewing, the diversity becomes more evident.

Slough (Agnes Wojnarski)

The Slough is looking better except for some areas along Hillside Avenue. The Interns have done an excellent job in knocking back invasives, but there is always more that needs to be done.

Trails are cleared and passable. Many visitors at the Slough are seen every day.

Work on cattail removal will be accomplished over the next several weeks.

Tully Park (Wendy Dewar)

Wendy Dewar reported that Penstemon, Rudbeckia, Elderberry, Tall Bell Flower, and Milkweed are blooming in Tully Park.

The Eagle Scout Project accomplished their plantings of about 500 grasses and flowering native plants in the Meditation Garden Area. The Scouts were to plant another four (4) Plum Trees; however, Wendy is unsure if this occurred.

The newest area near the bridge has not come in as had hoped; therefore, Wendy will be asking for some plants from the PHNRC to plug this area either this year or next year.

City Civic Meetings and PHNRC Representation

Jill highlighted notes from the following June 2022 City Council and PHPD Board meetings:

Special City Council Meeting – June 13, 2022

The City Council held a Special City Council Meeting on June 13, 2022 at 5:00 pm to conduct an Executive Session regarding a potential and litigation matter (Section 5 ILCS/120/2(c) 11 of the Municipal Code).

Executive Sessions are closed to the public, and meeting minutes are confidential.

City Council Regular Hybrid Meeting – June 13, 2022

Appointments: Maciej Kempa has been appointed as Chairperson of the Plan Commission Zoning Board of Appeals.

New Business: Milwaukee Sanders Road Corridor Agreement, Ordinance Disconnecting Territory from the City of Prospect Heights (32 acres), and Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Village of Glenview regarding the development of the Allstate Property.

Excerpts from the documents provided in the meeting materials packet are shown below to highlight these three items.

Alderman Patrick Ludvigsen said that the agreement with Glenview is a “big deal.” Agreements were first made in the 1990s with no project have resulted in a sharing of revenue with Glenview and the opportunity to buy water directly from Glenview.

Acting Mayor/Alderman Ward 5 Dolick noted that this was an exceptional agreement between the two municipalities, and there would be a perpetual revenue stream generated from it.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. R-22-28 Resolution Appointing a Director and Alternate Director to the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County

Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

B. R-22-29 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Revenue Sharing Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Glenview Regarding the Development of the Allstate Property

Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

C. Requested Wavier of First Reading O-22-17 Ordinance Approving a Third Amendment to the Milwaukee Sanders Road Corridor Agreement (**1st Reading**)

Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

D. O-22-17 Ordinance Approving a Third Amendment to the Milwaukee Sanders Road Corridor Agreement (**2nd Reading**)

Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

E. Requested Wavier of First Reading O-22-18 Ordinance Disconnecting Territory from the City of Prospect Heights Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/7-1-25 (**1st Reading**)

Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

F. O-22-18 Ordinance Disconnecting Territory from the City of Prospect Heights Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/7-1-25 (**2nd Reading**)

Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

Clarification of the Corridor Agreement between Prospect Heights and Glenview was provided by Peter Falcone during the NRC July 14 meeting.

The annexation of 32 acres by Prospect Heights to Glenview has been in the works since the 1990s. The former Allstate Property will be redeveloped.

The 32 acres that is currently within city boundaries is adjacent to the Forest Preserve just north of Winkelman along Sanders Road and just south of what would be Palatine Road. The 32 acres are vacant land owned by Allstate but in Prospect Heights jurisdiction. Through the corridor agreement amendment, Prospect Heights is ceding the 32 acres to Glenview so that the entire Allstate redevelopment on both the east and west sides of Sanders will be under the same jurisdiction or same municipality of Glenview. Through the agreement with Glenview, Prospect Heights will receive tax revenue from the entire site.

Regarding purchasing of water from Glenview, this aspect has been added to the corridor agreement and will be worked out in greater detail. Currently, Prospect Heights does not have infrastructure along Winkelman Road. Glenview has expressed interest in selling water to Prospect heights; however, a great deal is involved to install the proper infrastructure to hook up to Glenview's water system.

D. Glenview and Prospect Heights have agreed to settle a dispute and avoid litigation over an interpretation of the Corridor Agreement by agreeing to amend the Corridor Agreement and enter into a revenue sharing agreement.

Section 6. Continued Cooperation. The parties agree to continue to cooperate and work together to promote and achieve the goals of this IGA. In addition to the agreements set forth in this Agreement, Prospect Heights and Glenview hereby acknowledge that their respective interests will be served by entering into a wholesale water purchase and sale agreement, and to this end Glenview and Prospect Heights express their desire to negotiate a wholesale water purchase

and sale agreement pursuant to mutually agreeable terms, including that Glenview would sell potable water to Prospect Heights at no greater price than the Village charges comparable large-quantity users or potential users in Glenview.

Section 2. Third Amendment of Amended Corridor Agreement.

(a) Glenview and Prospect Heights hereby amend the Amended Corridor Agreement to provide for the disconnection of property consisting of approximately 32 acres from Prospect Heights ("**Disconnection Parcel**") and annexation of the Disconnection Parcel to Glenview, substantially as set forth in the Disconnection Ordinance attached as **Exhibit D** and the Annexation Ordinance attached as **Exhibit E**. The Disconnection Parcel is described and identified in the exhibits to the Disconnection Ordinance and Annexation Ordinance attached as Exhibits D and E respectively.

(d) In addition to the agreements set forth in this Agreement, Prospect Heights and Glenview hereby acknowledge that their respective interests will be served by entering into a wholesale water purchase and sale agreement, and to this end Glenview and Prospect Heights express their desire to negotiate a wholesale water purchase and sale agreement pursuant to mutually agreeable terms, including that Glenview would sell potable water to Prospect Heights at no greater price than the Village charges comparable large-quantity users or potential users in Glenview.

32 acres



Discussion of City Water Study and New Water Survey: Treasurer Rich Tibbitts provided an update on the Water Study. Rich spoke with the City Engineer to receive an estimated of the cost of using ductile iron or PVC as the material for our water system. With the current oil crises, the cost of PVC is the same price as ductile iron. Rich cautioned that now is not the right time to move on another Baxter and Woodman water study. The new estimate for the total water system cost is \$76 million.

Regular City Council Meeting – June 27, 2022

5. APPOINTMENTS/CONFIRMATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- A.** Appointment of Mayor Matthew Dolick to the Tourism District Board
Action Requested: (Motion, Second, Roll Call Vote)

Next Meetings: The City Council Workshop Meeting will be held on Monday, July 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. The City Council Regular Meeting will be held Monday, July 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Prospect Heights Park District – Board Meeting of June 28, 2022

Financial Audit for the Full Year of 2020 by Anthony Cervini, Sikich LLP reflected that the Park District had a good year (2020).

The Lions Park Project (Recreation Center, Pool, Playground, Tennis and Pickleball Courts Renovation) carries an estimated cost of \$3 million.

The PHPD Tip Jar at the Block Party of June 18, 2022 totalled \$23.00.

A bus tour of the Prospect Heights Park District Parks is being considered for a date in September and at 5:00 p.m.

ARTWALK

The 2022 edition of the ArtWalk is well underway at Izaak Walton Park and there are so many interesting pieces “shrooming” at the park. Thank you to all the talented artists who are contributing to the ArtWalk. Below is a small example of the art at the park. We encourage everyone to visit Izaak Walton Park and explore the ArtWalk.





Next Meeting: The next scheduled PHPD Board Meeting is Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Gary Morava Recreation Center on Camp McDonald Road in Prospect Heights, IL.

Announcements to the Public

Seth spoke of man's least favorite friend: Mosquitoes. When we breathe, we release carbon dioxide which a mosquito can sense from over 100 feet away. They zoom in on us and sense our body heat and odors. Only female mosquitos bite us because they need the blood to make eggs. Females also need water. To rid mosquitos from y our yard, do not have standing water. Make sure your gutters are clean. Remove water from your potting trays and old tires. Clean your bird bath every few days and refresh the water. Standing water for a couple of days provides a way for mosquito larvae to mature.

Two methods for ridding your backyard of mosquitos are actually counterproductive. Foggers apply a chemical that kills all insects, including bees, lady buys, butterflies, fireflies, etc. If you kill all the insects in your yard, the mosquitos can return. Know that some insects and birds eat mosquitos. Bug Zappers kill 99% of insects but not mosquitos or biting insects, so it is a temporary solution.

DEET can be safely used, and wear light not dark clothing However, an electric fan is the most effective way of keeping mosquitos at bay. The breeze created by a fan keeps the mosquitos at a distance.

Visitors' Comments

No visitors were present.

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Prospect Heights Natural Resources Commission is August 11, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Central Time.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the meeting. Therefore, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Jill E. Moskal, CPS
PHNRC Commissioner and Recording Secretary