

Village of Antioch Park Commission Meeting
Wednesday, February 17, 2010
Village Hall 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Village of Antioch Park Commission convened by Jim Weber and was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present:

Jim Weber
Tom Kessell
Cedric Johnson
Gina Wolf
Wanda Utter
Cindy Bucci

Others Present:

Shawn Roby, Special Events
Laura Roby, Secretary

Pledge

Approve Minutes from January 20, 2010 regular meeting as presented.

A motion was made by Gina Wolf and seconded by Tom Kessell for the January 20, 2010 minutes of the Village of Antioch Park Commission Board meeting to be approved.

Communications

Stuart Malsch-76 Netherlands: referred back to the November meeting about the pool liner quote. He questioned how much it would be to fix the liner on the whole pool? –Shawn reported that according to the quotes we had been given it would be \$19,600 to repair 50% of the shallow end and \$31,000 to repair the entire shallow end.

Reports

Chairman

Parks Director-Jim met with the Parks Director candidate Mike Kudla and other staff members to discuss what he felt he could bring to the Village. Mike is currently retired after working for many years in the Parks and Recreation field. He wants to get back into the work field and feels Antioch would be a nice place to work. Jim is concerned about the time frame he would be willing to put in because his wife is said to be retiring in 3 years. However they were impressed with his experience and schooling. Tom was unhappy with the chairman not being in on the interview process. By not being in on the process he was only given one person to speak with and give his opinion. The board members all agreed and felt their voices were not heard.

Special Events Report

Park Improvement- We reviewed the park improvement list and made a few revisions. The AYLL trailer removal shouldn't be listed as a park improvement. Shawn will contact them and ask that it be removed. We will not be removing the volleyball courts at North Park; instead we will do the maintenance to keep them. Shawn is looking into a new drinking fountain at Centennial Park as well as matching garbage cans and/or benches. He will try to find out where the old garbage cans from downtown are and possibly replace the old barrels. The Saw Mill was added to the list for the removal of some dead trees and the tree signs are being replaced with new ones. We are still considering moving the fence back to create a walking path from the Scout House to the Saw Mill.

Daddy Daughter Dance- Shawn thanked Tom and Gina for helping decorate the dance and for Tom's help with pictures at the dance. We unfortunately didn't sell out but we did sell a few pairs of tickets at the door. We are looking into carnations as a gift for the girls next year.

Pool update- Shawn is hoping to have more information to report to the Village Board by March 1st. The staff is working on four ideas to present and they are very hopeful to have the pool open again this

year. Stuart Malsch made comments in regards to Lake County having construction loan options that were discussed Monday Night and the Village Board meeting. Shawn will present more information at the next Park Board meeting.

Easter Parade- the North Ave construction starts on April 1st. The state would like to work on the construction downtown first so that the area could be finished by summer. This could cause conflicts with the Easter parade so we are contemplating optional routes.

Event Schedule 2010- Shawn handed out copies of the event schedule for the year. He is still hoping to add a Frisbee golf tournament. If this can be added into the schedule, he will have added 4 new events for the community this year.

4th of July discussion:

Fundraising- some ideas are a 50/50 raffle, T-shirt sales and a bowl-a-thon sponsored by the Antioch Bowling alley. We are open to any other suggestions.

Fireworks- the proposal process is over and only 1 bid was given by the company that we used in the past.

Parade- we are looking to make the parade more theme/decoration oriented. There would be rules to regulate the terms of decoration. Shawn enclosed in your packet information giving example of rules and price structure from Barrington and Elgin, IL. We would like the parade to be less about the advertisements and more about the actual event. We also discussed possibly charging fees and the structure the fees would take. The Park Board was also asked to give consideration to ideas about these topics and presenting them at the march meeting.

Financial Reports for Periods Ending-January

Financial Reports were reviewed.

Other Business

Gina- had an idea to have 5 Star Sports have "team parents" for each sports class. This parent would be responsible for having the coach's phone number in case there are problems with classes. On a few occasions the coaches have missed a class and left parents stranded. This could help to make sure that didn't happen.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Village of Antioch Park Commission, **Cindy Bucci made a motion to adjourn, and was seconded by Wanda Utters.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2010 at the Village Hall in the Board Room at **7:00 p.m.**

Jim Weber, Chairman

Laura Roby, Secretary