

Village of Antioch Park Commission Meeting
Wednesday, October 20 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 7:04 p.m.

Members Present:

Jim Weber
Wanda Utter
Cindy Bucci
Cedric Johnson
Wayne Foresta
Gina Wolf

Others Present:

Michael Kudla, Director of Parks and Recreation
Shawn Roby, Special Events
Laura Roby, Secretary

Members Absent

Pledge

Approve Minutes from September 15, 2010 regular meeting as presented.

After grammatical errors were corrected, a motion was made by Wayne Foresta and seconded by Cedric Johnson for the September, 2010 minutes of the Village of Antioch Park Commission Board meeting to be approved.

Communications

Stuart Malsch wondered who PHN would be working through. Mike Kudla answered that he would be answering most of their questions but that the project would be a joint effort between him and Jim Keim. Stuart Malsch later questioned if the advertisements on Viking equipment at Tim Osmond are legal? Mike Sheran is the newly appointed President of AYLL. He questioned what the future plans are for Williams Park because he wants to make sure that the children have a field to play on. Jim Weber replied that he is in favor of keeping the baseball diamond but informed Mike Sheran that the Park Board is only an advisory board. Mike Sheran informed the Board of repairs that need to be made including the storage shed roof being replaced. The roof leaked and created mold. The shingles were replaced last year but a total repair is needed. Mike Kudla said the roof on the concession stand is being replaced next week and he will add the storage shed to the list. Mike Kudla will also look into who owns the building, the Village of Antioch insures it so he believes we own it but he will double check.

Reports

Chairman

Jim Weber is concerned that there are no lights at the entrance of the Tim Osmond Sports Complex or in the parking lot. Jim Weber thought lights were to be put in during phase II. He feels it is a safety concern and we need to have them installed. Mike Kudla will find out when they are to go in. Jim Weber talked with some men from Public Works and they requested an edger for work in the parks. Mike Kudla and Chris Liveris are looking into one this week before purchasing. Jim Weber questioned what budget it will come out of. Mike Kudla said the equipment would have to be put into the capitol budget because we can't take it out of Park Impact fees. However putting it in the capitol budget means it will go up against a list from each department. Mike Kudla will look into where the money comes from for building repairs.

Parks Director

The fees for use of athletic fields are being reviewed to try and recoup some of the out of pocket expense to the Village. Fees haven't been raised in the last 4 years even though costs have gone up. Wayne Foresta asked that staff get a history of registration fees charged by for AYLL, Viking Football and AYSO Soccer. He would also like to know the extent of donation each organization has made. Mike Kudla requested to table this topic until the next meeting when he will have had more time to meet with the organizations. Jim Weber would like to get the athletic chairmen together and discuss the fees they would be willing to pay. Cindy Bucci questioned what

neighboring park districts charge their organizations. The board feels if we are going to charge one organization then we need to make sure we charge all organizations. Cedric Johnson suggested looking at what it costs the Village to maintain the fields and see what each organization uses and then set up a fee structure from that. Mike Kudla has a draft letter for an Intergovernmental Agreement for shared facility use with District 34. This agreement will give the Parks Department priority over schools at no cost however we will have to pay for weekend usage. The draft letter has been sent to the school attorney. Mike Kudla would like to extend this letter to the districts of Emmons, Grass Lake, and Antioch Community High School.

The public restrooms at Williams and Centennial are problematic due to vandalism. Many park districts only use portable restrooms. Mike Kudla suggested the restrooms remain locked and those who rent the park will have to pay a deposit to check out a key. The park board agreed that this was a good idea.

Applications are being accepted for the vacant Program Supervisor position. So far 40 resumes have come in. Mike Kudla has reviewed them and had narrowed it down to 10. He will limit it to a group of 3 or 4 and conduct interviews with a group of others. Mayor Hanson has the recommendations for the vacant park board position. He is expected to appoint a new member by November 1.

PHN has been chosen to work on the pool design and supervise the construction. Mike Kudla may need to set up additional meetings to work on the pool concept.

Special Events Report

Fall Wine Walk had a great turnout. It was a beautiful day. \$1,100 was made to go toward the next walk. The Parks Department may raise the fee by \$5 to go toward wine being poured. January 22 will be the winter wine walk and tickets go on sale December 13. Ticket sales for the winter walk may be limited to 4 tickets a person. The Movie in the Park was cold but we only had about 20 participants. Shawn Roby would like to try it again next year but schedule it earlier in the summer season.

Family Kite Fly was held October 2. The event had a better turn out than last year but Shawn Roby would still like to see a bigger result. Shawn Roby would like to raffle off kites next year to the first 100 kids. This may get more people interested in the event.

Fall Fest had a good turnout and it was a beautiful day. The final band brought out 300+ participants. The beer tent did well and the Village was able to recoup some of the costs of the event.

Treat the streets will be held on Saturday October 23 from 12-5 p.m. This year more businesses are participating. Shawn Roby is looking for volunteers to help at 11:45 a.m.

The Holiday Parade will be held on November 26 at 6 pm. The tree lighting will be held immediately after the parade. The Antioch Community High School choir will be caroling starting at 6:30 at the Village Hall. Shawn Roby is looking into another event idea which will be a winter beer walk.

Financial Reports for Periods Ending-September 30, 2010

Financial Reports were reviewed.

Other Business

Cindy Bucci would like to know what the original phases for the Tim Osmond Sports are. Mike Kudla said that phase 3 is supposed to involve the dirt hill and that work will be done by the Village of Antioch. She confirmed that the hill would then be removed. Jim Weber said yes, it was only seeded to keep it from eroding until the next phase starts.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Village of Antioch Park Commission, **Gina Wolf made a motion to adjourn, and was seconded by Cedric Johnson.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at the Village Hall in the Board Room at **7:00 p.m.**

Jim Weber, Chairman

Laura Roby, Secretary