

**Village of Antioch  
Park Commission Meeting  
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois  
Tuesday, June 21, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Antioch Park Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call indicated the following Commissioners were present: "Angela Brooks, Jerry Johnson, Gina Wolf, Will Martino, Cindy Bucci and Chairman Jim Weber. Absent: Cedric Johnson. Others present were: Parks and Recreation Director Mike Kudla, Recording Secretary Toni Galster, Special Events Coordinator Shawn Roby.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Wolf moved, seconded by Member Brooks to approve the April 27, 2011 meeting minutes as corrected. Upon voice vote: 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. MOTION CARRIED.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

No report.

**REPORTS**

Chairman Weber:

Chairman Weber started with the Miss Antioch Pageant, it was great, but last year we had agreed to not charge Present Community Queens admission fee. Past Queens would pay full price.

Gina brought up the Community Choice Award. Mike Kudla explained that this award is for fun, and it helps offset the cost of the pageant. The award does not count towards the voting for queen.

Chairman Weber asked about the time frame for the pool project and the grant application. Director Kudla explained that the State has narrowed the criteria down to fitness facilities. With this news it is less likely the Village pool project will be selected for grant funding. If the Village does not receive a grant, the existing pool will be enlarged and remodeled using the \$2,000,000 from a bond sale last year.

Chairman Weber asked if there are plans to install parking lot lights at Tim Osmond Sports Park. At this time there are no plans or funds available for lighting the parking lot. Chairman Weber also mentioned the entrance to the park needs a street light; it is very dangerous leaving at night. Director Kudla stated that the Parks Commission should write a letter to Mayor Hanson addressing this issue.

Commissioner Bucci asked about plans for improving Depot Street. Mr. Kudla explained that the road will be repaved this fall and a turning lane will be added for the sports complex.

## **Parks and Recreation Director Kudla**

Director – Michael Kudla reported on the following items.  
Commissioner Will Martino was welcomed to the Park Board.

### **Summer Day Camp schedule:**

There is a growing concern over the practice of allowing parents to pick and choose which day's their children attend camp. Changing the child's days each week leads to growing problems with billing and scheduling staff. The flexibility for families is great however; the camp is becoming more of a drop in program where the children change on a daily basis. Staff is considering offering three options next year, being 2 days, 3 days or five days a week.

### **Band Shell Rental Policy:**

Last week the Parks Commission was notified that there is an increasing interest from organizations in using the band shell. The Village Board discussed the issue briefly at the Committee of the Whole meeting. In the past the bandshell was used for community events only. Director Kudla explained it's not just the bandshell we would be renting, but the restrooms, and grass area as well. The Village of Antioch must be careful that we charge everyone the same, including non for profit organizations. The real question is, should the Village of Antioch rent the band shell? Right now the Parks & Recreation Department has 15 events at the band shell throughout the year. The Parks & Recreation Department could rent it an additional 9 times. The rent would not include the sound system, chairs, tables, tents, stage lighting, extension cord, security, or additional people to help run the event. The Parks & Recreation Department would have to charge \$50.00 per man per hour and will include 2-4 hours of Shawn's time. The Parks and Recreation Department could charge up to \$500 for the first 3 hours with an additional charge of \$200 per hour after the first three. The Parks & Recreation Department should consider having a cancellation policy of 50% cancellation fee if they cancel within the 30 days of their event.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Gina Wolf and seconded by Commissioner Angela Brooks to charge \$500 for the first 3 hours and \$100/hr for each additional hour. There will be a \$250 cancellation fee, and have damage deposit to match the Rental fee of \$500.00.***

For events that are going to have over 500 people attending their event, The Village of Antioch should charge \$750.00 for the first three hours, \$300.00 an hour after that. Not for profit groups will receive a discount of 20%.

In order to rent the band shell a required deposit will have to be paid 60 before the event, the rental fee will be required to pay 45 days before the event, and within 30 days the balance will be paid. **Upon voice vote: 6 Ayes. 0Nays. MOTION CARRIED**

**Sprenger Park:** Work at Sprenger Park will start in August. Fields should be ready for next summer. The grant received from the State of Illinois is for \$260,000.00.

Commissioner Will Martino will take Sprenger Park, and Tim Osmond Park as his Parks to keep an eye on, Commissioner Angela Brooks will have Williams Park, Commissioner Cedric Johnson will have Trevor Creek and North Ave.

### **Special Event Supervisor:**

#### **Concerts and Farmers Market:**

The summer wine walk was a success, 386 participants. Antioch's first "It's Thursday Concert" went very well. The Lakes Area Community Band & Community Chorus performed. The concert had more people than it did a year ago. Modern Day Romeos will play this week.

The Farmers Market has gotten off to a great start. There are 4 more vendors since the first week when it started. The Parks & Recreation Department is currently looking for more volunteers for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. The Family Boat Regatta will be on July 9<sup>th</sup> at Pederson Park 10 am – 2 pm. The Rock Rumble will begin on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The Fall Wine Walk tickets will go on sale Wednesday August 17<sup>th</sup>. This time the Parks & Recreation Department will limit the purchase of 4 tickets per person. Residents will only be able purchase the tickets in person or on line. The Parks & Recreation Department will also enforce the NO REFUND POLICY. The Parks & Recreation Department will not be allowing ticket holders to return any ticket that the participant can not use; the ticket holder will be responsible for finding someone else to use it.

### **Financial Reports**

Financial Reports for the period ending May 31, 2011 were reviewed. If anyone has any questions, please call Director Kudla.

### **Other Business**

Commissioner Jerry Johnson mentioned the sidewalk in the front of his restaurant has a lip on it that people have tripped over. The Village of Antioch should have someone look at it. Commissioner Gina Wolf asked if we could have a park walk through on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The Park Board will meet at Centennial Park at 6:00 pm than Williams Park at 6:30 pm.

Commissioner Will Martino mentioned the electric at New Haven Park was never turned back on after the Home owner's party. Commissioner Will Martino would also like future discussions on certain parks in subdivisions; Homeowners could help out to cut grass, fix the pavilions, and do different services. Director Kudla suggested we get in touch with Trustee Dennis Crosby to discuss this. Commissioner Cindy Bucci wanted to mention that the registration for the Wine Walk was great, she was really happy with it; Special Events Coordinator Shawn Roby did a great job.

**Adjournment**

There being no further discussion, Commissioner Will Martino moved, seconded by Commissioner Jerry Johnson to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 8:42 p.m.

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Jim Weber Chairman

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Toni Galster, Secretary