

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

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Village of Antioch Park Commission was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Chairman Jim 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: "Gina Wolf, Will Martino, Cindy Bucci, Cedric Johnson, Jerry Johnson Angela Brooks and Chairman Jim Weber. Others present were: Parks and Recreation Director Mike Kudla, Recording Secretary Toni Galster, Special Events Coordinator Shawn Roby, Trustee Mary Dominiak, and resident Stuart Malsch.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Bucci moved, seconded by Member Martino to approve the July 17, 2011 and the August 17, 2011 meeting minutes as corrected. Upon voice vote: 6-Ayes. 0-Nays. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

No report.

REPORTS

Chairman Weber

Chairman Weber asked Director Michael Kudla if there is a process for deciding which sports organizations use the athletic fields and how priority is set. It was explained that there is a meeting in the early spring each year with all of the organizations present. The space needs of each sport are discussed and the group decides in a fair manner with the Parks Director making the final decision.

Parks and Recreation Director Kudla

Discussion of fees for athletic field usage:

Chairman Weber questioned how the organizations were charged for the utilities. Director Kudla explained to the Park Commission that the Village Board decided at the Committee of the Whole meeting, that the Village will pay for the costs of electric and port potties.

Chairman Weber stated that youth baseball games last until after 10pm and suggested that the lights at the Park should all be on timers. This would require that a strict time limit be placed on each game. Director Kudla will speak to Mike Sheren who is the President of the AYLL to see if the parents are complaining about the length of the games. There were several questions asked about the

schedule and funding for the Tim Osmond Sports Complex. Director Kudla answered the questions and explained that funding has not been finalized for phase two of the plan. Water and sewer service will not be brought onto the site at this time because it will be an expensive project. Matching grant funds have not arrived through local initiative funds provided by Jo Ann Osmond.

Use of the band shell by outside groups:

Director Kudla explained the Village Board does not want to rent out the band shell. It was suggested the Village would use it for community functions only, such as the fundraiser for Corporal Peck. Shawn is currently working on the policy structure for use of the facility. Shawn will consider the policy of the Gurnee Park District as well as the cost of Village employees used for large events.

Discussion of Sprenger Park project:

Director Kudla reviewed the list of amenities planned for the park project.

Annual Pool report 2011:

Director Kudla explained how the pool had a tough year, with 4 days lost because of the electric being off, and another 4 days lost because of bad weather. The Village will have new designs for the pool by next summer. Chairman Weber suggested that the Park Commission form a committee to come up with ideas on how to raise money for the pool. Selling bricks for the wall at the pool was one idea. Mr. Weber suggested that everyone on the Park Board Commission bring an idea on fundraisers to the next Park Board meeting.

Special Event Supervisor:

Discussion of upcoming events:

Homecoming parade will be this Thursday at 6:45 pm. Saturday, September 24th will be the Fall Wine Walk. Shawn asked for help from the board to check in the wine walkers on Saturday; Gina, Cedric and Jerry offered their help. The Annual Family Kite flying will be on Sunday October 2 at the Tim Osmond Sports Complex. The annual Fall Fest is scheduled for October 8. Shawn reviewed plans for the event in detail including a beer tasting tent. Halloween treat or tricking will be on Monday October 31, starting at 4:00 pm and ending at 7:00 pm. The Annual Christmas parade will be on Friday, November 25th. Help will be needed from the Park Board. The Tree lighting follows the parade at the Village Hall. Winter Wine Walk tickets go on sale December 7th at 9:00 am the Wine Walk takes place on January 22, 2012.

Shawn is planning a progressive dinner. Another event Shawn is looking into is Ladies Day Out at the Comfort Inn. It may include a spa, nails, pedicure, teas and wine tasting. Other possible events for 2012 would be a Rib Fest and Beer Tasting. Commissioner Bucci asked if there were a discount on any of the Village events for senior citizens. Shawn explained that there were none, but the Board could consider it.

Financial Reports

Financial Reports for the period ending July 30, 2010 were reviewed.

Other Business

Director Kudla stated that the Antioch High School students started staining the Centennial Park playground on September 18. Chairman Weber suggested to the Board that he would like to see each commissioner come into the next Park Board meeting with ideas for fundraiser for next year. Commissioner Wolf asked why there is only one set of bleachers at Centennial Park? Director Kudla said he would try to budget for another set next year.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Member Wolf moved, seconded by Member Brooks to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Chair Person Jim Weber

Toni Galster, Secretary