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**Village of Antioch
Park Commission Meeting
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
Wednesday, January 18, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Village of Antioch Park Commission was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Commissioner Cedric Johnson

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, Will Martino, Cindy Bucci, and Acting Chairman Cedric Johnson. Others present were: Director of Parks & Recreation Shawn Roby, Program Supervisor Libby A Baker, Board Liaison Mary Dominiak Recording Secretary Toni Galster, Absent were Chairman Jim Weber, Commissioner Gina Wolf.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Cindy Bucci moved, seconded by Member Angela Brooks to approve the December 15, 2011 meeting minutes as corrected. Upon voice vote: 4 Ayes. 0-Nays. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

No report.

REPORTS

Directors Report

Director Roby, Village Administrator Jim Keim, and Program Supervisor Libby Baker met with the first of the four Architects that will be interviewed on Tuesday January 17th. Three more meetings are planned for Thursday January 19th. All four architects are very impressive with their quotes, they have met the village's minimum for the pool, they understand the village's needs and what the village can afford, which is Two Million Dollars.

Shawn met with Commissioner Cindy Bucci along with Libby to discuss fundraising, Shawn suggested using an outside organization to run the fundraiser for the pool, and call it Friends of the Pool. The Park Board would also be involved with all the fundraising activities. Commissioner Bucci suggested having a party at the end of the Fundraising where the prizes would be awarded.

Shawn also met with Tom Adamczyk about the Antioch Waves and what swim team and residents of Antioch will need in the future at the Antioch Aqua Center. February 6, 2012 will be the Park Board goal date, to go before the board with all the ideas for the pools fundraisers.

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There have only been 305 Daddy Daughter Date Night tickets sold. This year's dance will start at 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm, 1 hour earlier than last year. The dance will still be at Antioch Upper Grade, the Parks department will be decorating from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm, if any of the Park Board would like to join us, and your help is needed. It has come to the Parks and Recreations attention that the reason the ticket sale is so low is, Hillcrest, Grass Lake School, AES and now the Girl Scouts are all having Date Nights. Shawn suggested to the board that he would like to meet with the organizers of the schools and suggest having Date Nights on different months than the Village does. Shawn also suggested the Village have a Halloween Date Night; the girls could come in costume.

The Winter Wine Walk will be on Saturday January 21, 2012. Again we need the help from the Park Board, Angela, Jerry, and Cedric all agreed to be at the Old True Value building at 11:00 am Saturday to help set up and register all the wine walkers. This wine walk will have 23 locations, but only 20 groups will be formed, Shawn hopes this will help eliminate the congestion that some of the wine locations get during the walk.

The Farmers Market applications will be out next week. Shawn has new people asking about it, and if the location will remain the same. Shawn hopes to have the Market open 2 weeks earlier this year. Shawn hopes to get at least 20 vendors this year. Last year there were 20 vendors for most of the season, but ended with 16 vendors. The Village believes quality is better than quantity when it comes to vendors, Shawn does not want 2 of the same vendor at the Farmers Market.

Shawn also has other ideas that he is working on, Progressive Dinner; a mock up would be done first to see if this is something he would want to continue with. A Disc Golf outing is being looked into, perhaps a 1 day tournament, raffle prizes would be instead raffled off instead of 1 prize for who was the best player.

Program Supervisor Report / Libby A. Baker

This was the first year that the Parks & Recreation Department offered a Winter Camp to the residents. A minimum of 10 and maximum of 65 was set for each day. 6 days the Camp met its minimum with 15 campers, only Friday December 23rd was cancelled due to only 3 campers that signed up for the day. The camp had a lot of positive feedback from the kids and their parents. Each day the kids did something different. Swimming at the Comfort Inn, they went to the movies and saw Chipwrecked, baking, crafts and lots of fun in the gym. The Spring Break Camp will be formatted the same.

The Camp Crayon brochure has been revised. The old brochure was given to parents in the beginning of the season; it had all the information for the parents. This new brochure will be a marketing tool. If a parent calls and needs information on our camp, Libby can mail this brochure out to them. There will be no prices printed on the brochure; the parents are instructed to call the Parks office for more information and pricing. An insert with the prices could be put in when it is mailed out.

Financial Reports

Financial Reports for the period ending December 31, 2011 were reviewed. The budget this year is going in the right direction.

Other Business

Tom Adamczyk and the Waves Board met on January 14, 2012 to go over fund raising for the pool. Each swimmer is required to sell or purchase 3 tickets. The Waves usually have their fundraising during the months of June and July. Piggly Wiggly in the past have sold the raffle tickets at their location for a \$1.00 a ticket. Mr. Adamczyk has approached Shawn to help eliminate the confusion between the two different raffles for the same pool by asking the new fundraiser not be run at the same time. The Waves grand prize is Cash; the Park Board would be prizes, (Car). Angela suggested that the prize be printed on the tickets so the residents would know which raffle tickets they are buying. Mr. Adamczyk informed the Board that there will be another fundraising meeting on January 25th at the Lodge of Antioch. The waves will be needing help when the donation letters are written and need to be sent out to the residents and businesses in Antioch. A sponsorship form will need to be created, and banner for the pool needs to be printed, possibly a sponsorship wall could be created to show the support of our sponsors. Cindy would like to get together with everyone on the board at least one more time to go over the fundraising ideas.

Will Martino questioned if there was anything done about getting an ice rink for the Village. Shawn said that the Park Board will bring this up again in the July or August Park Board meeting. Next meeting will be February 22, 2012.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Member Brooks moved, seconded by Member Martino to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Chair Person Jim Weber

Toni Galster, Secretary