

**Village of Antioch
Park Commission Meeting
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
Thursday, March 21, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Village of Antioch Park Commission was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by 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: Angela Brooks, Gina Wolf, Will Martino, and Cindy Bucci, Chairman Jim Weber. Others present were: Parks and Recreation Director/ Special Event Coordinator Shawn Roby, Recording Secretary Bernadette Rowe, Absent Commissioners were Jerry Johnson, and Cedric Johnson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Gina Wolf moved, seconded by Member Angela Brooks to approve the February 20, 2013 meeting minutes as corrected. Upon voice vote: 4 - Ayes. 0 - Nays. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

Tom Adamczyk the Waves president expressed concerns with changes that are being made to the Waves practice times this year. His concerns are not necessarily the effects on this year's team but future years. Traditionally the Waves swimming team has had the pool exclusively for practice from 6:30 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. With the new pool the Parks and Recreation Department is planning on moving swim lessons earlier in the morning. Tom and Shawn met to discuss the new schedule and agreed that an overlapping of the programs could be beneficial to both programs in the long run. The pool will be shared by both programs from 8:45 a.m. till 10:00 a.m. each morning, which will allow the pool to be opened for parent tot and adult swim at 11:00 a.m. each day. Tom's biggest concern is that this effect will ultimately increase their enrollment which in the future will cause issues with sharing the pool. The board indicated that Tom and the Waves organization should keep in contact with them and everyone will revisit this after the season has completed in July.

REPORTS

Director of Parks & Recreation: Shawn Roby

- Discussion of Pool update
The pool vessel pouring was slightly behind schedule. The staircase was poured on March 18th. The pool vessel has one remaining component to be poured which will be the floor of the shallow kids area and the vortex. The construction company has indicated that

hopefully sometime in late April they will be finishing the vessel painting and filling the pool. They will be conducting testing for a couple of weeks and then Shawn is hoping to take possession as early as possible to begin getting everything finished. The construction on the pump room which was originally supposed to be the last component finished is almost already complete.

- Discussion of fundraiser
Shawn indicated that he and Gina Wolf have met to discuss the pool fundraising options, but haven't gone any further at this point. We have very little time left in order to get everyone on the plaque that he originally planned but there might be an option for a removable plaque. Using a removable plaque would allow us to continue to fundraise and offer an option of getting onto the plaque in the future. Trustee Wolf suggests a tier system be put in place in order to bring organizations into the fundraising for the play feature.
- Pool Senior Discount and Extended Family
Many seniors have called with questions about the cost to the seniors for the season pass. Shawn discussed the pool rates of family passes, individual passes and senior citizen passes. Member Cindy Bucci expressed the Parks and Recreation department should offer a discount for the seniors starting at age 55 years old. Shawn Roby and Jim Weber agree that the senior citizen pool pass will cost \$55.00 starting at age 55 years old. The Senior daily rate will remain the same at \$4.00. Member Gina Wolf moved, seconded by member Angela Brooks.

With regard to allow family members who do not live in the household the board agreed that allowing those outside of the household to join family passes will do nothing but cause issues later. If you allowed it where do you cut it off? It makes more sense that only members living within the household be included on the pass.

- Spring/Summer Brochure update
The designer just finalized the rest of the brochure. Shawn Roby and Libby Baker will do the final touches and intend to have it completed by tomorrow March 22nd. It will be available on the Village Web site as soon as possible. The First batch of the brochures should be mailed on Wednesday March 27, 2013.
- Budget Update
Updating the board from our previous meeting we have approximately \$3.5 million in capital request for 2013, which includes \$290,000 of Parks & Recreational requests. Unfortunately we have approximately \$850,000 to fund the capital request. The village board was apprized of this, and has been given the opportunity to rank the items in order of importance to each of them. If staff recommendations are taken, the majority of the improvements that are being requested by the parks department will most likely not make the final list. The items that Shawn believes will not make the final list are Jensen and Centennial Park tennis courts, all baseball improvements, and building security systems. Shawn has spoken with public works about being able to perform some of this work themselves, and they are pretty confident they have the ability to do some of the work.

- Upcoming Events

Mother Son Bowl March 23rd at 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Easter Parade March 30th 10:30 am.

Easter Egg Hunt following directly after the parade at 11:00 am. Wrist band sales have been down due to the weather but we do anticipate a rush as usual as the weather looks like it will be nice.

Summer Wine Walk tickets go on sale April 16th at 9:00am.

Arbor Day is schedule for Saturday, April 27, 2013.

Program Supervisor: Libby Baker

- Libby informed the board that over the next couple of meetings she would be discussing the fees for the camp crayon and summer day camps in future years. We are well below comparable programs in other communities and she would like to investigate a fee increase in the future. She indicated that we are not necessarily trying to match the fees of other communities but an investigation and discussion about what the fees should be is warranted.

Financial Reports

Financial Reports for the period ending February 20, 2013 were reviewed. Shawn indicated to the board that this year's revenue projections are going to come in below expectations due to low enrollment in program. With the new brochure and changes to the program as a whole, we are anticipating increases to our projections for the 2013-14 fiscal year.

Other Business

None

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Member Cindy Bucci moved, seconded by Member Will Martino to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Chairman Jim Weber

Bernadette Rowe, Secretary