

**Village of Antioch
Park Commission Meeting
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
Wednesday December 19, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Park Board Chairman Jim Weber called the December 19, 2013 regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 7:08 pm in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Antioch Park Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Commissioners were present: Ron Horton, Gina Wolf, Will Martino, Cedric Johnson, Cindy Bucci and Chairman Jim Weber. Others present were: Parks and Recreation Special Event Coordinator Shawn Roby, Program Supervisor Mary Quilty, Recording Secretary Toni Galster, Absent Angela Brooks.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Gina Wolf moved, seconded by Member Ron Horton to approve the November 20, 2013 meeting minutes as corrected. Upon voice vote: **Yes 5 No 0 Absent:** Angela Brooks, THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

Public Comment Period: None

REPORTS

Chairman Weber:

Jim questioned the budget from last year, if all the work was completed. Shawn explained that 50% of the work has not been completed. Shawn will bring a new list for next year to the next Park Board meeting.

Director of Parks & Recreation: Shawn Roby

Pool Schedule:

Shawn explained to the Board that other local community camps would like the same pool privileges that the Parks & Recreation Camp has when it comes to the pool. Shawn has presented to the Board a pool schedule he feels should accommodate residents and the summer day campers. At the previous meeting, Will Martino suggested the summer day campers use the pool from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm; the campers would have lunch after going to the pool. Since this is not the prime time, very little friction from the community should exist.

Monday – Friday:

Parent Tot/Open Swim for adults would be 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Summer Day Camp 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Open Swim 12:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Shawn explained that the busiest time at the pool is usually between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm. This should prevent any problems in the future. The Parent Tot swim parents will need to clear the pool area at 11:30 am and return at 12:00 pm with the rest of the open swim residents. Moving the parent tot swim time will allow the facility to be cleared before the general public enters the facility. Shawn realizes that this may cause a problem with the parents of the tots; Shawn also is looking into a way to have open lanes for the adult swim, so they will not be bothered by the campers while they are swimming.

The Saturday parent / tot and lap swim will be 11:00 am. – 12:00 pm. with open swim beginning at 12:00 pm. Shawn has suggested perhaps having swim parties on weekends starting before 11:00 am. Shawn is also working on having parent / tot swimming lessons on Saturdays. Gina had a question about the time before the pool opens on weekends, if any special events, such as teen parties could be using the pool at this time. Another idea is to open the pool earlier on weekends to season pass holders.

Swim lessons will have only changes to the first time slot; the advanced and intermediate will not have lessons at 8:45 am time slot. Lessons for advanced and intermediate will only be during the second and third time slot. The lanes that the advanced and intermediate usually use the pool during the 8:45 am – 9:25 am time slot will be used by the Antioch Waves for practice. By allowing them to have the entire lap pool they can actually clear the entire facility by 9:30 AM which is 30 minutes earlier than past years.

Jim Weber had questions about the pool staff and all the additional hours, Shawn assured the board that he will be adding additional staff to schedule to cover all the new shifts that are being created. Shawn would like to go to the surrounding area high schools during their lunch hour and speak to the students about working as a lifeguard, or in the concession area, and summer day camp counselors. Will feels Facebook would be an avenue that we should be using to communicate with students about job opportunities and other activities within the Village. Shawn assured Will and the Board that steps have already been taken to communicate with the residents. The Village of Antioch Facebook page has already 5180 followers.

Shawn would like to start a teen council. Bernadette has offered her daughter and her daughters friends an opportunity to be on the board. While at the schools talking about employment, this would be the perfect opportunity to talk to the students about being on the teen council. The Village needs to know what the teens of Antioch would like to have and what events they would like to create in the Village. Shawn would like to see an array of different types of students across the spectrum to sit on the board.

Upcoming Events

The Winter Wine Walk tickets are now on sale, the wine walk will be on Saturday, January 18, 2014, help is needed. Check in will be at Anastasia's starting at 12:00 pm any and all volunteers should be at Anastasia's at 11:00 am.

Daddy Daughter Date Night tickets are now on sale. This year only 500 tickets will be sold. No tickets will be sold at the door. This years event is the Academy Awards, Volunteers will be needed for set up and during the dance to serve drinks and ice cream.

Mother Son Bowling has changed, this year we will be offering two squads, first starting at 12:30 pm and go until 2:30 pm the second squad will start at 3:30 pm and go until 5:30 pm.

Camp Crayon's 3 year old Tuesday / Thursday program is being revamped for next year. The 4 year old program will have additional afternoon classes. The Terrific 2's & 3's has been a big hit this year. Camp Crayon will have their Open House on January 15th and 16th for parents to visit with the teachers and see what Camp Crayon is all about.

February 15, 2014 starts the priority registration for Camp Crayon, the 2's and 3 year olds will be able to sign up for the BK classes before opening up registration to the public.

Financial Reports

Financial Reports for the period ending November 30, 2013 were reviewed. The budget this year is going in the right direction..

Other Business

Gina would like to see more Park Board members attend the events, so they are more aware of what the event entails. Angela Brooks had the chance to be the first conductor of the Polar Express. She did an outstanding job.

Jim Keim went on the Polar Express with his kids. He mentioned to Shawn that even though last years event was very good, this year's event was even better, more organized.

Mary Quilty informed the Board that she has secured three movies for the summer of 2014, for the Movie in the Park, One – Romance, One – Kids movie and One – Tween movie.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Member Cindy Bucci moved, seconded by Member Cedric Johnson to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Chairman Jim Weber

Toni Galster, Secretary