

**Village of Antioch
Park Commission Meeting
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
Wednesday January 22, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

Park Board Chairman Jim Weber called the January 22, 2014 regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 7:02 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: Angela Brooks, Ron Horton, Gina Wolf, Will Martino, Cindy Bucci, and Chairman Jim Weber. Others present were: Parks and Recreation Director Shawn Roby, Program Supervisor Mary Quilty, Recording Secretary Toni Galster, Cedric Johnson arrived late.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Ron Horton moved, seconded by Member Gina Wolf to approve the December 19, 2013 meeting minutes as corrected. Upon voice vote: **Yes:** 6: Angela Brooks, Ron Horton, Gina Wolf, Will Martino, Cedric Johnson Cindy Bucci. **No:** 0. **Absent:** 0 THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS

Tom Adamczyk asked the park board if anyone could do something about the signs that went up in the Woods of Antioch. Mr. Adamczyk showed the Board the picture he had taken showing the signs, stating that only Woods of Antioch residents may use that park area located on Wood Creek Drive. Shawn told Mr. Adamczyk that he would look into.

The Waves will be pushing off their practice until the evening hours of May 28th, 29th and 30th. Schools will be closing after June 3rd. Shawn mentioned that the pool hours for the first week will be 5-8 pm and open during the day on weekends, until the schools are closed for the summer. Since snow dates have to be made up the waves could use the pool for practice in the evenings.

REPORTS

Chairman Weber:

Jim questioned the capital budget regarding the big plaque that is supposed to be going in the Saw Mill, Shawn told the board that it is on hold for now. Shawn had spoken to the seniors about the Senior Fund. They only have 9 years left before the Dolly fund is depleted. Shawn would like to get a plan in place now so the fund will go further.

The list of improvements and repairs for the parks include seeding Sprenger Park, replacing the swing set for Sprenger Park, top dressing the field in Pederson Park, painting the inside and outside of the Bandshell. Shawn will be requesting security system cameras for all the

parks and facilities. AYLL has requested to have the fence at Williams Park baseball field to be replaced. Jim asked Shawn if the bathrooms at Williams Park will ever be on a timer to open and close. Shawn explained that there is no electric to the doors at this point, plus there is no supervision over who uses these bathrooms, the concern is that if these bathrooms are open 7:00 am – 10:00 pm they will be destroyed just like the Centennial Park bathrooms. Jim inquired about the budget meeting, Shawn told the Board the first request for a meeting will be for the middle of February. Shawn is hoping for an early March meeting, then in the middle of March the fine tuning of the budget and early April the budget should be finalized.

Director of Parks & Recreation / Special Events Coordinator: Shawn Roby

Pool Schedule: Shawn presented the Board with the pool schedule for the 2014 season. Suggested is the following: Monday-Friday Parent Tot/Lap Swim 10-11 am, Summer Day Campers will come in at 11am – 1 pm. Open Swim for the public will be 12 – 7:30 pm. Saturdays Parent Tot/Lap Swim 11am – 12pm with Open Swim 12-7:30 pm, Sundays Pass Holders would be able to swim 11am – 12 pm with Open Swim 12-6:30 pm.

Shawn expressed that pool parties will be as follows:

Private (1 each time slot) or Semi Private (Up to 3 parties per time slot) 8:00 – 10 pm Monday – Saturday Sundays the parties would start at 7pm – 9 pm

On weekend morning, Saturdays and Sundays, parties could be 9-11 am

Shawn suggested bringing in aqua zumba classes on Saturday mornings.

Tom Adamczyk suggested having over 18 and up lap swim starting at 7 am – 9 am. Shawn would like to try lap swim in the month of July to see how the public will react to this.

Swim lessons will start the second week of June. There will be no Advanced or Intermediate swim lessons during the first time slot 8:45 am – 9:25 am so the Waves can finish their Practice which will end in late July.

Arbor Day Update: Shawn is in the process of contacting each Home Owners Association, Boy Scout Troup, Garden Club and Civic Organization to help with this year Arbor Day clean up. The Parks and Recreation Department will be concentrating on the Saw Mill. Shawn will speak with the Public Works about the weeding concerns. The present plaque will be replaced with bricks. A large plaque outside the park could be installed instead of bricks. Angela mentioned she would love to see an area that bricks could form a bench area and a story board with the history of the Saw Mill could be installed. Shawn will be looking into the cost of the board. Jim asked if any trees will be replaced, Shawn informed the board that only a few will be replaced.

Upcoming Events: The Daddy Daughter Date Night will be on Saturday, February 1st, volunteers are still needed.

Pool passes will go on sale Monday, February 3rd.

Camp Crayon registration is on Saturday, February 15th.

The Mother Son Bowling has 2 separate time squads this year, 12:30 pm and 3:30 pm to accommodate everyone.

Summer Day Camp will be on Saturday, April 5th.

Angela spoke to Shawn and Mary while at the Winter Wine Walk. She would like to see a favorite host award to the merchant that displays the best food, and is the best all around host. Shawn will incorporate the voting into the summer wine walk, perhaps as the participants vote on the back of their bonus bottle sheet.

Program Supervisor Mary Quilty:

Camp Crayon is growing, Terrific 2 & 3 have joined Camp Crayon. In the Fall the Parks and Recreation Department will be offering Terrific 2 & 3 class the same way we offer Camp Crayon. Parents will be able to sign up for the entire year, and pay month to month. The kids that are in the Terrific 2 & 3's class now will have priority registration for Camp Crayon or the Terrific 2 & 3's classes. If a student has a sibling, that sibling will also have priority coming in the program. Mary explained that the 4 year old Tuesday & Thursday class will be eliminated so that there will be two - three year old camp crayon classes, one at the scout house and one at the parks building. There will still be a Tuesday/Thursday afternoon class for 4 year olds. Camp Crayon will now be 2.6 – 5 years old.

Mary told the board that she had been in contact with Champions, an after school program. Champions would like to use our Scout House for their after school programs for kindergarten children. Angela asked Mary if this is cost effective. Shawn told the board he will look into the numbers and will let the board know what he finds out at the next meeting. Jim Weber looked up on the computer what Champions charges for their after school program, he found their rates were: 1-2 days \$44.00 3 days \$69.00 4-5 days \$91.00, registration is \$65.00 or \$105.00 per family.

Summer Day Camp registration will go to 1 week sessions. This will eliminate vacations. The campers will still need to register for a minimum of 2 days a week. Camp will be bumped up to 80 campers per day instead of 70.

Financial Reports

Financial Reports for the period ending December 31, 2013 were reviewed.

Other Business

Angela just mentioned the Wine Walk hosting contest again. No others had comments. Next Park Board meeting will be on Wednesday, February 19, 2014.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Member Angela Brooks moved, seconded by Member Gina Wolf to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Chairman Jim Weber

Toni Galster, Secretary