

**Village of Antioch
Park Commission Meeting
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
7:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 17, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Park Board Chairman Gina Wolf called the October 17, 2018 regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Antioch Park Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Commissioners were present: Rentner, Hettich, Tarkowski, Johnson, Flade and Acting Chairman Wolf. Others present were: Parks & Recreation Interim Director McCarthy, Program Supervisor Mary Quilty and Recording Secretary Toni Galster. Absent: Chairman Weber and Jeff Rosenthal.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Hettich moved, seconded by Member Rentner to approve the August 15, 2018 Minutes Upon roll call, the vote was:

Yes: 5: Rentner, Hettich, Tarkowski, Johnson, and Flade.

No: 0.

Absent: Rosenthal

THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Hettich moved, seconded by Member Johnson to approve the September 19, 2018 Minutes Upon roll call, the vote was:

Yes: 5: Rentner, Hettich, Tarkowski, Johnson, and Flade.

No: 0.

Absent: Rosenthal

THE MOTION CARRIED

5. COMMUNICATIONS –

Mr. Malsch asked the Park Board if the Village pays for the asbestos removal in the Pitman property? Director McCarthy answered No the Village does not. Mr. Malsch also asked the Board is there was enough help this summer at the Aqua Center, referring to the locker rooms and bathrooms. He would like to see a dedicated person at the Aqua Center to keep them clean throughout the day. Director McCarthy plans on hiring seasonal help just to keep the bathrooms, locker rooms clean, as well as keeping the pool deck clean. Basically, a house keeping person.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Weber was absent, there was no report to read.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

i. Status & Information Report

Interim Director McCarthy explained to the Park Board the FY2019 Project Status Report that she included in the Park Board packet. Director McCarthy explained each park and what was planned for each as well as if the project is Open, in Progress or completed. Member Wolf asked about the concession stand at Williams Park. When and will they determine when it will be fixed? Director McCarthy explained that the Public Works will be assessing the park in the fall and will begin work now, instead of the spring. Director McCarthy also told the Board that the Centennial park road is being working on currently. Director McCarty told the Board that so far, the Village has received 26 resumes for the Park Board Directors position. Out of the 26 they have 10 candidates that will have phone interviews. After that they will start background checks, and then personal interviews. Director McCarthy stated the salary we are offering is low, but Administrator Keim and Director McCarthy will be running this department even after the new Director is hired. Director McCarthy asked the Park Board about the 4th of July fireworks display. The current contract with Mad Bombers has expired, Director asked the Board if they should extend the contract one more year. The feed back from the Board was positive, everyone agreed that Antioch has the best Fireworks display around. Member Flade motioned to extend the contract one more year, Member Hettich seconded the motion. Director McCarthy asked Toni to contact Mad Bomber to extend the contract one year. Member Hettich spoke about all the issues he experienced this summer at the pool. 8 different visits he told the Board there were serious issues, bathrooms needed cleaning, on two separate visit the pool closed early, even with at least 46 people in the pool. Member Hettich said it was miss managed. Director McCarthy is aware of the problems. Director McCarthy will be hiring seasonal help for the pool next year. Director McCarthy told the Board that she has been in contact with Megan Opolka the previous manager, to see if she would like to come back as the manager again next year. Unfortunately, she is working for a private company and is no longer available in the summer months. Member Tarkowski quested the director about the Capital Fund. Director McCarthy explained to the Board how the budget works. Director also explained the Scoreboards at the parks cost the Village over \$80,000. The installation of the electric was over \$30,000. Member Hettich expressed his concerns over the budget, he asked if the Mayor and the Village Administrator was aware that the budget is climbing? Director McCarthy explain that they are very much aware. Member Hettich recommended to Director McCarthy that they should have the FY2019 Project Status Report sent to the Park Board members once a month. Member Wolf asked if the new slide will be installed next year at the Aqua Center. Director McCarthy explained if the funds are there it will be.

i. Upcoming Events:

Toni told the Park Board the Treat the Streets and Monster Mash Bash is going to be on Saturday, October 20th. She will need as many adult volunteers as possible. The high school and Middle School are sending kids, but we need supervision for them. Toni also let the Board know that the Christmas parade applications have gone out and so far only 20 have returned. The North Pole Express tickets will be going on sale Thursday, October 18th at 6:00 pm, we are expecting allot of people. New this year, we will be lining people up inside the gym, instead of outside. Toni asked if there is anyone available to help with line up it would be greatly appreciated.

c) Program Supervisor Report:

1. Camp Crayon Update: Program Director Quilty: 2018-2019 Camp Crayon is going strong, Mary explained the 4-year program is the only class that has openings.
2. Go Antioch:
Mary thanked the Park Board for all their help during the summer with the Go Antioch program. It started off strong and ending weak. Mary suggested next year having the walk once a month and have it attached to some other event in town. Mary thanked Paul for all his history knowledge of Antioch.
3. New Programming
Hot Shot Sports started their soccer programs at Grass Lake School. Next class will start in November. Mary has a woodworking class that will start on October 27th & 28th.
Mary told the Board that while she was at the Village's Wellness Fair last week, she had a chance to talk to Colletti's Therapy regarding teaching a Jazzercise class. Mary said they sounded very interest.

Financial Reports:

Financial Reports for the period ending September 30, 2018 were reviewed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 14, 2018,

Other Business:

Member Wolf questioned the Christmas Parade and how Santa ends the parade. Will he continue straight past the Village Hall or turn on Orchard through the barricades. There was a short discussion whether to have Santa get off the carriage in front of the Village Hall and let the horse continue, or let Santa turn on Orchard and get off behind the Village Hall like he has in the past. Toni will be talking to Eric at the State Bank of the Lakes to see what the owners of the horses want to do. Member Wolf also asked if we could add a Hot Chocolate Run in the fall. Mary told Member Wolf that starting a run is not as easy as it looks, Debbie Rentner has been trying to start a Fundraiser Run for the Veterans for a long while, and still hasn't happened yet.

There being no further discussion, Member Flade moved, seconded by Member Hettich to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 8:03 pm

Chairman Jim Weber

Toni Galster, Secretary