

**Village of Antioch
Park Commission Meeting
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois
7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 18, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Park Board Chairman Jim Weber called the September 18, 2019 regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 7.01 pm in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Commissioners were present: Rentner, Hettich, Wolf, Rosenthal, Johnson, Flade and Chairman Weber, Others present were: Parks & Recreation Director Lauren Kabrick. Program Supervisor Mary Quilty, Park Board Secretary Toni Galster.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Antioch Park Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Wolf moved, seconded by Member Hettich to approve the August 21, 2019 minutes.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

Yes: 6: Rentner, Hettich, Wolf, Rosenthal, Johnson, Flade

No: 0.

Absent: 0

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

None

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Jim told the Park Board that he had visited Pederson and Osmond Parks. He noticed that the flowerbed at Pederson was overgrown with weeds, and the Volleyball Court at Osmond was taken over by weeds as well. Jim also noticed the standing water at Osmond Park.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jim would like to see NO Smoking signs at all the parks. Lauren told the Park Board they need to decide whether the signs should be wood or metal. Lauren also mentioned that at the large-scale events, do we have a designated area where smokers can go to smoke? Lauren doesn't want the new signs to be confusing. Lori asked Lauren about No Vaping, will that be added to the signs? Paul mentioned that it is a Federal Law – NO SMOKING / NO VAPING must be on all signs starting October 1, 2019. And that Lake County has zero tolerance toward smokers. Jeff asked Lauren if Antioch has an ordinance regarding No Smoking in any of the Parks in Antioch? Lauren will be looking into it. Cedric added that the ordinance number should be on the bottom of all our signs.

i. Harvest Fest – Final Prep

All Harvest Fest 4 x 4 signs will be going up on Friday, September 27th. Public Works will be taking down the Farmers Market signs and replacing them with the Harvest Fest Signs. Lauren told the Board that the Aqua Center employees will be at the Harvest Fest selling what is left from the Concession Stand.

ii. Hiram Buttrick Sawmill Recognition Event

Lauren asked the Park Board to read over the plaque for the Sawmill, check for spelling and grammar. Lauren told the Board that a Recognition and Tour Event has been planned for Saturday, October 19th at 10 am at the Sawmill and she would like everyone to attend. Gina asked Lauren if invitations have been sent out to all the people that participated in the construction of the park. Lauren told the Board that she is currently working on the invitation and the guest list, and if anyone has addresses, she would great appreciate them. Jeff noticed that there was a double space on the plaque on the 2nd line.

iii. William E. Brook - Wetlands

Lauren has addressed all the problems with the Wetlands with Sherry at Public Works, the guys have been busy getting ready for fall. They will start working on all repairs shortly.

iv. Project Status Update

Lauren went over the project status report with the Board. Jeff questioned the maintenance of the parks and the budget. Lauren told the Board that we are sitting OK on the budget and the parks maintenance programs. Lauren also told the Board that they will not be getting a new play structure panel at Pederson Park, the cost was \$8000.00. The Adaptive Swing strap at Trevor Creek park will be replaced. Lauren also told the Board that she is looking into getting the Adaptive Swing at all the parks. The Gaga pit has been completed at Jensen Park; Lauren suggested to the Board they should check it out.

v. Upcoming Events

Toni went over the upcoming events. Toni attended the PM&L Theatre's Board meeting on Sunday, September 22nd to discuss the Adult Night Out. PM&L Theatre voted to help the Village of Antioch out with this event. They will be handling the cash bar, sound and lighting. The Village will be responsible for the volunteers, food and clean up, and Christopher Carter. This event is set for January 25, 2020. This event is taking the place of the Winter Wine Walk.

Toni told the Board that the North Pole Express tickets go on sale Thursday, October 17th at the Parks building. And the Harvest Fest is set to go on Saturday, October 19th starting at 12:00 noon. She will be needing as many volunteers as possible.

Toni express a happy birthday to Lori; her birthday is Monday. And the Fall Wine Walk is on Saturday, September 28th. Toni is still in need of Volunteers. Jim Weber, Bill Rentner, Cedric Johnson and Lori Flade said they would be there to help.

Toni explained to the Board that Thursday, September 26th is the last Farmers Market not only for the Season, but for good. We are going a different direction next year.

The Farmers Market is not getting the people at it like it has in the past. Next year we are starting a Street Market which will only be once a month for 3 possibly 4 months. On the last Sunday of the month. Toni went on to say that the Village already has events going on those days so we will be piggy backing off them. Toni will be asking all types of businesses to join the Street Market. Also, in the planning, a Community Dinner, Toni expressed that there are 2 different types of Dinners we could possibly host. One for Families, and One for Adults only. Toni asked the Board to read the attached information and get back to her with what they would like us to plan.

c) Program Supervisor Report:

i. Camp Crayon Update –.

Mary told the Board that Camp Crayon has started and is going quite well. Her teams have changed, the two-year-old classes have 2 new teachers. The three-year-old program has stayed the same as well as the four-year-old program. Mary did mention that they do have new sub teachers.

ii. Go Antioch

Mary told the Board that the Go Antioch has not gone over in Antioch. It started strong; people came for the tee shirts. But as the weeks went on it was the same few people each week.

iii. Glow Walk

Mary told the Board that Lake Count's biggest event is the GO Glow which is on Saturday, October 5th. She would like Antioch to be just as big. The event will start at Tim Osmond Sports Complex on October 5th at 7:00 pm. The first 50 people will receive a tee shirt. Mary asked the Park Board members to please share this information with their HOA's

iv. Save the Date for Go Lake County Walk

Mark told the Board she would like to see everyone at the Go Lake County Walk is on Saturday, September 28th the same day as our Wine Walk. It will start at 9:00 am. So they should be able to make the Wine Walk with no problems.

d) Financial Reports:

Financial Reports for the period ending August 31, 2019 were reviewed. Nothing that is standing out on this report.

Jeff asked Lauren if anything was standing out on the report? Lauren said that we had overtime from the pool. On August 12th most of the employees went back to school so the managers stepped up and filled the time slots that were needed to be covered. Out of 36 employees over $\frac{3}{4}$ went back to school. Jim asked Lauren if the prices were going to stay the same. Lauren will have that information on next month's agenda.

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Other Business:

Bill Rentner asked if Lauren has heard anything on the benches at Pederson Park yet. Lauren told the Board that North Bridge Church is supposed to build them, and they will be installed next summer. Bill told Lauren a two seated that could be moved would be the best. Gina questioned the lightning detectors in the parks, Jeff had mentioned that she was at Tim Osmond Sports Complex a few weeks back during a storm and they did not go off. Bill mentioned that they are now working, and they do get checked quarterly. Lauren also told the Board that they were all just recently tested and are in working order. Lori asked Lauren if there was a way to put signs up at the sinkhole, letting the public know that this is private property and the Village does NOT own it. She mentioned that she has heard some bad things going around Antioch referring that Antioch is Lazy, and not doing our job to repair it. Ruining the reputation of Antioch. Lauren told the Board that Jim Keim is experiencing the same problems and phone calls, he is well aware of what is being said. The Village has been trying to reach the owner, who lives in Florida. The Village has reached out to the Attorney of the owner of the property. Finally, after months of trying the Village has permission to take a soil test from the property. Once the Village has the information from the samples, they will start working on the culvert. Lori also asked if it was possible to post something on Facebook to notify the Residents of Antioch what is happening. Lauren will need to talk to Jim Keim about that.

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There being no further discussion, Member Johnson moved, seconded by Member Flade to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:48 pm

Chairman Jim Weber

Toni Galster, Secretary