

**Village of Antioch**  
**Park Commission Meeting**  
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois  
**7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 20, 2019**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Park Board Chairman Jim Weber called the November 20, 2019 regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 7:00 pm in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

**2. ROLL CALL**

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

**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 October 16, 2019 minutes.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**Yes: 5:** Rentner, Hettich, Wolf, Johnson, Flade

**No: 0.**

**Absent: 1** Rosenthal

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**5. COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Weber asked Lauren if anything has been mentioned regarding the flowers at Pederson Park. Lauren explained that the Antioch's Garden Club had expressed interest, but nothing has been done yet. Lauren believes nothing will happen until spring now. Jim also asked about the benches, he asked if anything has happened regarding fundraising for more benches at Pederson Park. Lauren hasn't heard back from the club yet; Lauren did mention that Lori Romine has been in touch with the Garden Club regarding the benches. Jim also questioned the Band selection for the 2020 Season. Will we be getting the local bands like Shawn did, and pay the huge price tags that they are requesting. Toni and Lauren both expressed to the Board that we have 2 local bands planned for next summer. Toni also told the Board bringing in the local bands will bring more people in, not from Antioch but other communities, which is great, but the businesses are not open to reap the benefits of these bands, only the Bars. Also, we just don't have the parking for people they would bring. The Antioch Residents won't come, to many people, so who are we really doing the concerts for?

## **7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **i. 2020 Aquatic Operations**

Lauren explained to the Board the New Aquatic schedule. Jim asked Lauren about Swim Team and will they be out of the pool on time, Lori told Jim, that the swim team is out of the pool at 8:30 am. Lori also asked Lauren since the pool is open earlier, will the concession stand have any breakfast food items. Lauren told the Board they will probably have muffins and donuts, breakfast bars, juice and milk. Jim also asked Mary about the Summer Day Camp kids only swimming for 1 hour. Mary explained that 1 hour is more than enough time for the kids. Lauren told the Board about the New Family Flick-N-Float event that will happen on the first Wednesday of each month. The cost will be \$25.00 for a family of 4 and it will include a dinner, games, raffle and the movie. Lauren also told the Board that this is not included in the seasonal pool pass, this is an event, everyone must pre-register and pay. Lauren said she will need at least 25 families for this event to go. Lauren told the Board that she plans on having the wristbands for the 12 – 18-year olds at the pool. Jim asked Lauren, what happens if a kid goes in the locker room and takes off the wristband and gives it to someone else. Lauren expressed that it will happen, and they will have to deal with it when it happens. Lauren told the Board that she is no longer going to use the Starfish Swim School as our Teaching provider. The cost of \$350.00 annual and the \$265.00 Instructor Trainer fee, plus \$30.00 per instructor is more than we should be paying for the 6 weeks of swimming lessons that we offer. Lauren is going back to the old format, a simple Pre-School, Beginner, Intermediate and Advance classes. We will also have swim lessons in the evenings rather than the morning. This past year the weather did not cooperate, and the Parks Department had to refund so much money due to the weather in the mornings and kids not being able to swim. Lauren is working on securing 2 dates that kids can go to outside facilities to do their test swim to see what level they are at before signing up for swim lessons.

Lauren explained that the Pool will have only 1 Pool Operations manager that will report to her only. The managers for Admissions and Pool Manager will report only to the Pool Operations Manager, The Concessions and Admissions will report to the Admissions Manager and the Lifeguards and Swim Instructors will report to the pool managers only.

### **ii. Parks & Recreation Activity Guide**

Lauren passed out a copy of the Activity Guide that she would like use, not the picture, but the style. Full picture, no more banners on the front or on the inside of the guide. Colors will change, Lauren expressed that she did not like the previous copy, we need to be more consistent with all the pages. Activity Guide should like the same when they are in a series, we have 2 guides a year. Lauren also said that its ok to change the style from year to year. Cedric mentioned he would like to see the cover catch the resident's attention. Gina also mentioned she would really enjoy helping pick out the pictures used in the guide.

**iii. Christmas Parade**

Lauren told the Board that she has family obligations and will not be at the Christmas Parade.

**iv. 20-21 Fiscal Budget**

Lauren briefly went over the budget and how she is restricting the way line items have been inputted to the budget, and how by next month the Board will see a big difference.

**v. Osmond Park Trail**

Lauren told the Board that the 2<sup>nd</sup> permit came back with comments and concerns from the IDNR, she is not sure what the comments mean yet, Lauren just hear about it, when Lauren gets the details, she will forward them to the Park Board Members.

**vi. Project Status Update**

Lauren told the Board that not much has happened this past month on the Project Status. The Viking Football Prep for winterizing is complete. The New Play structure panel is still pending, the Strap for the Adaptive Swing at Trevor Creek will be in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December, depending on the weather it could be replaced in December, but most likely be replaced in the spring. Paul mentioned that a Buffalo Grove Officer that lives in Antioch, has fixed a few boards at the skate park, but he has also mentioned that we have a nice skate park.

**vii. Upcoming Events**

Toni asked the Board member who was coming to help with the parade, everyone but Jim Weber will be at the Bandshell at 5:00 pm to help. Lori and Toni will be setting up the parade line up starting at 4:00 pm. Toni told the Board that the Adult Night Out tickets are on sale, and she will only be asking the Board member to volunteer, no outside help will be asked. The North Pole Express starts on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. And for the 8<sup>th</sup> year it is sold out.

**c) Program Supervisor Report:**

**i. Camp Crayon Update**

Mary told the Board that she has reached out to District 34 to have them screen and evaluate the Camp Crayon kids and give our teachers tools to help them with challenging kids. She wants to have an open line of communication between the District and our pre-school.

**ii. Day Camp**

Mary told the Board that starting next week she will start interviews Camp Sunshine's Camp Director.

**iii. Ski and Skate Resale**

Mary told the Board that she made \$102.70 from the Resale this past weekend. She said that by 6:30 pm on Friday she didn't have much to sell, but at 6:45 pm 3 different families came in with a bunch of items, quality stuff. Skates were an item she did not have much of, and the people were looking for them. Most everything sold. Mary said that most of the items were sold in the first hour.

**d) Financial Reports:**

Financial Reports for the period ending September 30, 2019 were reviewed. Nothing that is standing out on this report.

**Next Meeting:** December 18, 2019

**Other Business:**

Bill asked Lauren will we ever get bigger and better bands for 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Lauren told the Board she is working on changing the way our 4<sup>th</sup> of July events happen. She would like to see just the Parade in the morning and the Fireworks in the evening, no activities during the day. Lauren would like to possible have a Summer Kick Off night, this is where we would have a Big Band, bouncy houses, the Lions Club serving Food and Drinks, make it a true Summer Kick Off. Lori expressed she would like to see the 4<sup>th</sup> of July activities put on next months agenda.

There being no further discussion, Member Hettich moved, seconded by Member Flade to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:50 pm

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Chairman Jim Weber

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Toni Galster, Secretary