

Village of Antioch Park Commission

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

6:30 p.m. Village Hall 874 Main Street Antioch, IL 60002

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Park Board Chairman Jim Weber called the March 16, 2022 regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 6:31pm.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Hettich	<u> x </u>	Sural	<u> x </u>		
Hartman	<u> x </u>	DiBenedetto	<u> x </u>	Parks Director	<u> x </u>
Flade	<u> x </u>	Weber	<u> x </u>	Program Supervisor	<u> x </u>
Misch	<u> </u>	Commission Secretary	<u> </u>		

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Antioch Park Commissioner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Hartman moved, seconded by Member Hettich to approve the February 16, 2022 minutes. All in favor?

YES: 6

No: 0

Absent: 1

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT –**

6. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

7. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Commissioner Weber stated that since it is getting warmer its time for park inspections. Noted that no one oversaw Osmond Park and Hartman said he would take care of it. Commissioner Weber stated the bike path is flooded again due to the snow melting. April 14th is the Easter Egg Flashlight hunt. Parade is April 16th 10:30 Weber asked everyone to be there to help for parade at 9:30 am. VFW Color Guard will be leading the parade. 6 floats have confirmed for the parade so far. Weber said he would reach out to Dan Green from Hometown Electric to see if he would also join. Fireworks have been approved and the township will pay for half of them. Hettich asked if a laser show would be cheaper, but Flade and Weber discussed the show not being as visible from other areas of town.
8. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Discussion to move the fireworks in the future to Osmond park. More space for activities. Talked about the Park Master Plan Survey. Hettich thinks the survey is a good start but thinks maybe making it a box you check would be easier and more people would

be likely to fill it out. He also suggested it be no longer than ten questions. Hettich questioned if it would be in the budget to hire a company to park master plan survey. Flade brought up the use of signs in the park with a QR code that could be scanned and filled out on people's phones. Weber would like to see more bike paths connecting parks to one another. Hettich discussed at a past time there were two dedicated workers to take care of the parks. DiBenedetto brought up Friends of Parks to maintain the parks. Quilty asked what everyone thought was the most important park to take care of first. Hettich said Sawmill and DiBenedetto said Centennial. Quilty discussed Easter Egg stuffing Sat March 19th 9-12:30pm at the parks building gym. Park walk in April was discussed for the Sawmill at 6:30 pm. Possibility of moving the day because of another board meeting.

9. **PROGRAM SUPERVISOR REPORT:** Johnson discussed Camp Crayons enrollment. 74 kids now and 54 already signed up for next year. 3-4-year-old class almost filled. Interviews for the pool are going well. Johnson hoped for at least 8 more lifeguards/concession employees. New programs are doing well such as cooking in the kitchen with kids. Just included 8-week sign language class. Days off workshops that last 2 ½ hours and are themed days. DiBenedetto asked about open gym. Johnson said that it didn't sell when tried before.

10. **FINANCIAL REPORT** – For periods Ending February 28, 2022

11. **Next Meeting** – April 20, 2022 at **6:30** p.m.

Other Business: Flade discussed the pavilion at Williams Park cleanliness. Hartman discussed the Lions club taking over the Standard Oil Building and all their stuff in there. The plan is to have a dumpster out at the Oil Building through April.

Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, Member Hartmann moved, seconded by Member Hettich to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:47p.m.

Chairman James A. Weber

Marissa Eisner, Secretary