

# Village of Antioch Park Commission

Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Park Board Chairman Jim Weber called the, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, regular meeting of the Park Board to order at 6:32pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Hettich	<u>  x  </u>	Klemm	<u> absent </u>
Hartman	<u>  x  </u>	Olufs	<u>  x  </u>
Deichsel	<u>  x  </u>	Weber	<u>  x  </u>
Misch	<u>  x  </u>		

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Antioch Park Commissioner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Hettich moved, seconded by Member Misch to approve the December 20th, 2023, minutes. All in favor?

**YES: 5**

**No: 0**

**Absent: 1**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT – none**

**6. COMMUNICATIONS: none**

**7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Chairman Weber started the meeting by stating the street signs for Holbek will be changed to the correct spelling. Weber also spoke with the town administrator about the \$425,000 from the purchase of land. Quilty stated that now the township owns that land. Weber mentioned again that the money needs to go back to the parks budget and has discussed this with Mayor Gartner.

**8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT** Quilty started by stating that next week the board of trustees will be presented the parks master plan for approval. Misch questioned if Hitchcock has the grant money already listed in paperwork. Quilty stated that they have the grants and know how much money they will be receiving. February's meeting will to be discuss the future budget being asked not to go above. The Spring/Summer brochure will be going out March 1<sup>st</sup>. Day camp registration also starts March 1<sup>st</sup> for residents and April first for non-residents. In trying to fix mass payments this year everyone's credit card will be on file and payment is due 9 days before

camp. Pavilion rentals must be paid right away. Swimming lessons will not be changing at all. Deichsel mentioned making documents and posts online bilingual. Quilty thought that was a great idea and said Maritza could easily post in both languages. Misch mentioned that to make sure parents knew even if the post or paperwork was in a different language that that event or class would still be in English. Misch also wondered if Martiza could teach a Spanish class. Quilty said there was a Spanish class with low enrolment. Hartman asked if the budget would be balanced or be a deficit. Quilty answered that because most events don't make revenue it doesn't always balance but that the village budget balances. Quilty stated that 125 Santa letters were sent out. Maritza estimated that 400 people came to see Santa at the Sawmill. Weber noticed Pedersen was spelled incorrectly in the parks master plan. Quilty stated that Hitchcock could come to next month's meeting and present their ideas. Misch asked if it would be the same presentation the trustees would see. Quilty stated it would just be timelines.

8. **PROGRAM SUPERVISOR REPORT** Camp Crayons open house is February 1<sup>st</sup> from 6-7pm. Priority registration for students already in the program starts February 1<sup>st</sup>. February 14<sup>th</sup> for new residents and then two weeks later for nonresidents. Winter break camp went well especially because of guaranteeing registration. The camp went on a field trip or had a special event every day. Outdoor sand volleyball will be added this year along with iceless hockey. Hartman suggested adding an adult iceless hockey. He mentioned there are coach leagues that do very well. Quilty questioned the liability of adult iceless hockey. Deichsel commented that's what waivers are for. Weber questioned where iceless hockey would be held. Quilty answered Jenson Park. Olufs questioned if ice less hockey could be played in the grass. Weber answered no. Deichsel asked if there are any adult sports available. Quilty answered with frisbee golf. Hartman suggested having bag tournaments. Quilty stated people like to drink during bags and they can't be drinking at the parks. Olufs suggested ax throwing. Weber stated that Drive Time does that. Misch asked if Zumba would be coming back. Quilty stated the teaching ended up backing out. Winter wine walk has 550 tickets sold so far. Still in need of volunteers. Sweetheart dance being held at North Bridge church. 150 tickets have sold out of 300 already. Hoping for a soft serve ice cream machine if all 300 tickets are sold. Misch asked if the bands for the Thursday night concerts have been picked yet. Quilty answered yes, Sural has them all lined up already and has the full list. This year's kick off concert will be a country band on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Weber asked if the radio station would be hosting it again this year. Quilty said she was sure and Sural would know the answer to that question. Deichsel asked if there would be kid concerts at the band shell on Sunday again this summer. Quilty explained that Maritza had them come to Toft Street for the food truck festival. Hartman questioned if the only income for the parks was camp, the pool and small events. Quilty stated yes that is typical. Hartman asked if the farmers market booths pay a fee. Quilty explained \$50.00 for the whole season. Hartman then asked if vendors pay a fee at the concerts. Quilty explained no, the hope is that people come into town for the concerts and then spend money in town. Antioch Pizza will be the only food truck this summer at concerts.

9. **FINANCIAL REPORT** – For periods Ending January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

10. **Next Meeting** –February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, at **6:30** p.m.

**Other Business:** Weber commented that Camp Crayon and Summer Camp are basically the only income the parks make. Quilty stated that pool passes, and day camp are the two big ones. Deichsel stated her phone number changed and wanted to make sure the board members all knew it. Deichsel also mentioned having a park highlighted every month during the summer and having a special event or food trucks to draw people into the parks.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further discussion, Member Olufs moved, seconded by Member Misch, to adjourn the Park Commission meeting at 7:40p.m.

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Chairman James A. Weber

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Secretary