

APPROVED MINUTES

VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL February 26, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the February 26, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 8:15 pm in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor and Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Pierce, Yost, Dominiak and Johnson.. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Attorney Long, Administrator Keim and Clerk Romine. Absent: Trustees Macek and Poulos.

IV. ABSENT TRUSTEES WISHING TO ATTEND REMOTELY

There were not absent trustees wishing to attend remotely.

V. Approval of the January 22, 2020 COW Meeting Minutes as presented - Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Yost, to approve the January 22, 2020 COW Meeting minutes as presented.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Pierce, Yost, Dominiak and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 2: Macek and Poulos.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Township Coop Discussion – Administrator Keim introduced the idea of cooperation between the Antioch Township and Village, as an extension to the IGA for the Tim Osmond Sports Complex. Township Supervisor Tom Shaughnessy commented on the impressive communication between the village and township and introduced his staff. He commended village staff for their responsiveness and assistance, and discussed the IGA written in 2004 for the development of Tim Osmond Sports Park. Since that time, the IGA fell into inactivity. He outlined the IGA, intents, duration and execution. He provided options to the board to either reactivate, rewrite or terminate the IGA. He asked the board to review the IGA and discussed the affiliate agreement with the sports organizations. He added that the fields can be used by other organizations, and expanding their use beyond the youth organizations that currently use the fields. He discussed issues with maintenance at the park and with the organizations using the park.

Trustee Pierce said he believes the intention of the original agreement was to have the township and village working together in order to maintain control over the parks and their use. He suggested turning open lands into butterfly sanctuaries or prairie areas.

2. Parks Program/Event Update – Director Kabrick presented upcoming changes to parks programs and events. She discussed the Antioch Aqua Center, 4th of July Celebration, and new events coming up in the next year. She discussed changes to the organizational structure of the aqua center in the interest of efficiency. They will open and close earlier and implement a wristband rule allowing kids 12 and over to be at the pool without adult supervision. She discussed changes to season pass holders and mom/tot times and swim lessons which will be moving to the evening from 5-7. She reviewed the new curriculum for swim lessons and special programming including flick 'n float nights, family evening swim, aqua Zumba, aquacise and Jr. lifeguard camp.

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Director Kabrick discussed the 4th of July celebration and the current model and participation. She reviewed the afternoon entertainment at Williams Park, decreased participation and the costs associated with that program. She discussed strategic relationships with outside organizations during that portion of the day and the feeling of those organizations have removing that part of the day. She proposes using the \$10,000-12,000 spent on those programs for new events, including Adult night out, spring wine walk, eco-fair and camping under the stars. She is hoping to incorporate a 1920's outdoor dinner dance/community dinner with a theme at the bandshell and a back-to-school bash at the sawmill. She also presented a touch-a-truck event in September, and the new Antioch Street Market to replace the Farmer's Market. The street market will be the last Sunday of each month from June-September by the bandshell. Trustee Pierce suggested parking food trucks up and down main street during the events.

Director Kabrick discussed the absorption of the eco-fair and community garden as a result of the dissolution of the environmental commission. She proposes the discontinuation of the community garden due to low utilization.

Ms. Mary Nash-Powell, village resident, discussed the community garden. She expressed concern over the removal of the garden and suggested increased advertising or improved promotion. Administrator Keim said it would likely have to move anyway due to the nearby sinkhole. Trustee Pierce understands that the original creation included a core group of people that maintained the garden and made it look nice, but that has deteriorated over time. He discussed lack of resources, but would like to see it maintained as a valuable community resource.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

No report.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel and Pending Litigation, Lease of Village Property, Collective Bargaining – Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Yost for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to go into executive session at 9:00p.m. to discuss personnel.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Pierce, Yost, Dominiak and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 2: Macek and Poulos.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Yost for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to return from executive session to the open meeting at 9:25 pm with **no action taken**. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Pierce, Yost, Dominiak and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 2: Macek and Poulos.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk