

# Request for Board Action

**REFERRED TO BOARD:** September 9, 2019

**AGENDA ITEM NO:** 9

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:** Park and Recreation Department

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of a resolution approving a Hiram Buttrick Sawmill Recognition Sign

## **SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:**

The Parks and Recreation Department for the Village of Antioch has undertaken the process of obtaining a recognition sign at the Hiram Buttrick Sawmill in response to community feedback. The following language has been submitted to CenTec, the company working on the design.

*Built in 1976 this replica sawmill was a way for the Village of Antioch to commemorate the nation's bicentennial. Antioch's former Village Clerk, Marilyn Sterbenz, brought the idea forth and suggested a replica be made. The unique build took more than two years. Spearheaded by the Antioch Bicentennial Commission, with William Brook as chairman, hundreds of resident volunteers donated countless hours of time, talent, and fundraising efforts to the project. All efforts were overseen by Mayors Bob Wilton, and Mike Haley, respectively. At the helm of design and construction were Walter "Walt" Shepard, former superintendent of public works as the project director, Richard "Dick" Stroner, former building commissioner as the Project assistant, and Frank Angelotti as the project engineer. The creek's dam creates a one-quarter-acre pond and stone along the pond's edge was set by hand. An 18-foot diameter, non-operational waterwheel adorns the side. When it was in operation, the nearly three-ton wheel provided enough power to saw logs 14 inches in diameter. It remains one of the most photographed sites in Lake County, IL.*

Verbiage may include changes to accommodate space constrictions, however the general meaning and intent indicated above will remain intact.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** There will be minimal cost to the Village Parks and Recreation Department, as the Antioch Lions Club has offered to share in associated costs.

## **DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:**

## **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

**Move to** Approve a Resolution Authorizing the design and purchase of a recognition sign at the Hiram Buttrick Sawmill

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-xx**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESIGN AND PURCHASE OF A RECOGNITION SIGN AT THE HIRAM BUTTRICK SAWMILL**

WHEREAS, the Village of Antioch ("Village") is a municipality located in Lake County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Antioch is requesting a sign be designed at hung at the Hiram Buttrick Sawmill located at 770 Cunningham Dr.; and

WHEREAS, the proposed verbiage by staff may change due to space constraints; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village as follows:

On behalf of the Village, the Village of Antioch the recognition sign for to be placed at the Hiram Buttrick Sawmill is hereby approved.

APPROVED this 9th day of September, 2019

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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Lawrence M. Hanson  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lori K. Romine  
Village Clerk