

MINUTES
PARK COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY, JULY 14TH, 2016

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 14th, 2016 in their office, 45 Meadow Lane, Brockton, MA. There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Keane. Present were Commissioner Chickie Studenski, Commissioner Billy Anderson, Commissioner Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Stephen Pina and Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter.

The following attended: Paul Coutoumas, Golf Pro of D.W. Field Golf Course

Motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Pina to accept the minutes of the June 9th, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

Chairman Bill Keane requested that the August, 2016 Park Commission Meeting be moved from the second Thursday (August 11, 2016) to the Third Thursday (August 18, 2016) due to a personal conflict. The commissioners agreed.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on the conditions and revenues of DW Field Golf Course. He stated that June's revenues were \$161,124 which is the highest June in 16 years whereas last June was 128,897. The sixteen year average for June was \$113,315. As for FY16 revenues, the generated revenue was \$933,239 whereas FY15 was \$800,742. The City's Four Ball was June 24th, which no greens fees were generated and cart usage was not mandatory. Superintendent Carpenter would like to discuss the fee structure for the City Four Ball in the next coming months, whereas D.W. Field Golf Course is the only daily fee course involved in the City Four Ball, City Open and Senior Open.

Superintendent Carpenter reported to the Commission that Golf Carts in the parking lot is still an issue and that he hopes that inside work on the Clubhouse can start next spring. Due to the dry weather and the low level of the irrigation pond only the greens, fairways and tees are being watered. The new sprayer had been ordered. The Cart Barn's fence had its Bid opening which came in below budget. It will be 80' x 80' with a 20' opening. Work is scheduled to start at the end of August/beginning of September. The Mayor's Annual Golf Tournament will be held on August 19, 2016.

The Park Commissioners would like to invite the Chief Financial Officer to the November or December meeting to discuss the particulars of the Park Department Budget and Enterprise Fund.

Mr. Coutoumas reported on the Operation of the Golf Course. He reported that leagues have expanded. The stabilization of rates and agronomics had greatly improved revenue. He will be conducting an interview for 98.5 the Sports Hub Golf Show. The next veterans program will be July 26th, which will be an Eastern Massachusetts event. The Kids Clinic will start next Tuesday and they are still utilizing 98.5 sports radio.

As for the Parks, Superintendent Carpenter reported that the Park Department is still down one employee due to a temporary transfer to the Cemetery Department. Most trash is being accumulated at Edgars, Parmenters and Perkins Park and especially at other park's Basketball Courts. Additional barrels will be brought to O'Donnell's.

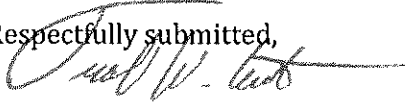
City Hall Plaza will be having concerts on Thursdays and mowing is scheduled on Saturdays. The Fox News "Zip Trip" was highly complementary.

Ralsco Site has been completed. It is scheduled to be officially opened in October. Superintendent Carpenter would like to schedule a discussion and a vote for naming the park in the August or September meeting. The Keith Park Project is going out to bid and the Walkers Playground Grant was submitted and will get approval within the next 120 days. The Brockton Garden Club has purchased eight memorial benches for D.W. Field Park.

Both the Cosgrove and Manning Pool are open with the same hours and fee schedule as last year. At the Cosgrove, joints have been sealed with the hopes that the water usage would be lower.

Having no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Pina to adjourn the meeting at 8:13PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy W. Carpenter", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Timothy W. Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks