

MINUTES
PARK COMMISSION
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2017

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11th, 2017 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 Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Billy Anderson and Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter. Commissioner Stephen Pina being absent.

The following attended: Lynn Smith, Brockton Historical Society/Keith Park Neighborhood Association
Kurt Calderwood, Asst Superintendent of Parks/Golf Superintendent
Councilor Anne Beauregard

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2017 meeting, as amended. Motion carried.

An initial presentation was made by Lynn Smith in regards to an event called "Sunday in the Park with George-Keith". She proposed a pop-up Campello Village of 1917 which would include character actors, food, "period" entertainment and backdrops of certain Campello Buildings of that time. The event would be held on June 11th, 2017 from 12PM to 6PM at Nelson's Playground/South Middle School. The Commission supported the initial presentation.

A discussion was held pertaining to Park Permits, Rules and Regulations. Superintendent Carpenter reviewed with the Commission the present fee schedule, rules and regulations and proposed that no fee changes be applied to One Day Permits, but to have an amendment on the permits stating all Port-a-Potties must be removed 48 hours after an event. Amendments for the "Rules and Regulations" will be discussed in more detail at the next Park Commission Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to keep the fee schedule for One Day Permit at \$25.00 a day, but to amend permit to state "all Port-a-potties must be removed 48 hours after an event". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to TABLE the "Rules and Regulations" to the next scheduled Park Commission Meeting. Motion carried.

A discussion was held pertaining to the 2017 Green Fee Rates that was tabled in the last Commission Meeting. After reviewing the information provided by Superintendent Carpenter at the request of Commissioner Pina, the Commission decided on a vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Varela to keep the Daily Greens Fee Rates at DW Field Golf Course unchanged for the 2017 Golf Season. Motion carried.

Mr. Calderwood gave an update on the conditions of the Golf Course. He stated that they are presently doing maintenance on the fleet, the golf carts, sharpening reels, deep tined and top dressed the greens and removed approximately 35 trees.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on DW Field Golf Course. He stated that Club Prophet have scheduled training and set up on February 20th, 2017. Superintendent Carpenter stated that he and Paul Coutoumas is in discussion with First Tee for DW Field Golf Course to be the South Shore Sole location for that program. This is a PGA sponsored program that target youths which will invest in the future of the golf course. He also reported that Mass Golf Association has reached out to have an Amateur Public Links event in July.

Superintendent Carpenter reported that the construction has begun on the old locker room with the assistance of Public Property and Golf personnel. New drop ceilings and lighting have been installed; including replacement of clear glass in lieu of the frosted glass. A wall has been erected to separate the men's room from the Player's Lounge. The construction should be completed by Opening Day. He met with an architect to discuss moving the ladies' room to the old shower room, but due to time and funding constrains, it will have to be delayed until next winter.

Superintendent Carpenter stated that the December's revenues were \$6,000, due to weather and lack of play. The 2017 Golf Season was \$918,869, which is the 4th best Golf Season in the last 16 years. He reported that the play was down 3.2% statewide and 5.7% nationally.

As for the Parks, Superintendent Carpenter reported the Ralsco Site lights have been addressed and repaired. Touch up work will be done in the spring prior to the dedication of the park. Keith park has temporary fencing and construction is to start within the week barring weather. He reported that he will be going in front of the Finance Committee next week for the transfer of funds from the Sale of the Montello Pool to cover the cost of restoration of the wrought iron fence for Perkins Park.

Councilor Anne Beauregard addressed the Commission to compliment Superintendent Carpenter and the Park Department employees for their work within the City.

Due to the absence of the Lion's Club invitee's to attend at their request, a motion was made.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept a request for the Lion's Club to come before the Commission at a future meeting. Motion carried.

Having no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:38PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy W. Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks