

MINUTES
PARK COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 10TH, 2018

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 10th, 2018 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 Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Chickie Studenski and Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter. Commissioner Billy Anderson and Commissioner Kevin Borges being absent.

Present: Lynn Smith, Keith Park Neighborhood Association
Nolan Napier, South Shore Blazers Soccer Club

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Varela to accept the minutes of the April 12th, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the annual events of the Keith Park Neighborhood Association. Ms. Smith presented to the Commission various events that they are planning such as Flag Day festivities, Movies in the Park and holiday themed events. She presented information about cost pertaining to tree wrapping and ironworks depicting the Keith House. The Commission questioned the liability and cost of the projects. Ms. Smith is to provide more information for the Commission's consideration.

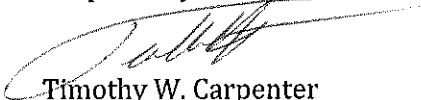
A discussion was held about Hillstrom Farm. Superintendent Carpenter stated that he met with Mr. Napier and discussed cost and labor to improve the field. They agreed that Mr. Napier would donate the Labor and for the Park Department to provide up to two trucks of loam and some seed. Mr. Napier reported to the Commission that Brockton Public Schools charges \$210.00 a game for approximately 5 games; which does not include the cost of two janitors for the use of Marciano Stadium. Mr. Napier asked for future exclusive rights to Hillstrom Park, which was denied by the Commission. Any work or decision is at the Superintendent's discretion.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on the revenues and conditions of DW Field Golf Course. The Golf Course opened on April 7th and revenue for the month of April was \$64,526 which is down \$32,715 from April, 2017. The drop in revenue is mostly due to the later opening date and bad weather on three out of four weekends. The first 6 days in May was \$27,231 which is an increase of \$15,090 from the same time frame last year. Year to date is down \$17,625 from last year. The drainage project on the 10th hole is complete as are Bunkers 4, 8, 10 & 13. There are 12 bunkers left to do. A new forward tee was built on Hole 12. Aeroration is scheduled for May 14th and 15th. The reduce rate for green fees will be \$20 and carts will be \$15. The lunchroom has been opened since May 1st.

As for the Parks, Superintendent Carpenter reported that he is working on three grants. PARC grant for \$400,000 is initially for the improvements at the Cosgrove Pool. The US Soccer Foundation for \$30,000 is earmarked for the Futsol Courts at Bent Playground. Walkers Playground's final inspection is scheduled on June 1st. He received the \$100,000 appropriation for Hancock Playground. He is planning to leave the existing equipment, with removing and reinstalling new swing sets with wood chips under play equipment. He informed the Commission that the DPW places sawhorses on Fridays to help with the ongoing issues at Parmenters.

Having no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Varela to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Timothy W. Carpenter
Superintendent of Parks