MINUTES PARK COMMISSION MEETING OF THURSDAY, MARCH 18th, 2021

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2021 in their office, 45 Meadow Lane, Brockton, MA VIA VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING. There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Keane. Present were Commissioner Charles Studenski, Commissioner Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Billy Anderson, Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter and Administrative Assistant Rene' Brown. Commissioner Kevin Borges being absent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.

A presentation of "Arts in the Park" was given by Susie Lordi from 24 Hour Power. The discussion included using Tukis Playground as the pilot park to beautify the city with recovery art. The Mayor sent in a letter of support for this project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to allow Susie Lordi and 24 Hour Power to use Tukis Playground as a Pilot Park for their recovery art. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Varela and seconded by Commissioner Studenski to have Susie Lordi and 24 Hour Power invited back to update the Commission about their project. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the Rules, Regulation and Fee Structure for use of City's Parks. Commission decided not to amend or add to the current Rules, Regulations and Fee Structure for use of City's Parks.

A discussion was held on the Rules, Regulation and Fee Structure for D.W. Field Golf Course.

A motion was made by Commissioner Varela and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to suggest a change in the Senior Permit from \$800 to \$850. The motion did not prevail.

The following changes were suggested:

Green Fees: Resident – Monday to Thursday \$30.00 to \$35.00

Non Resident – Monday to Thursday

Resident – Friday to Sunday; Holidays

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Non Resident - Fri to Sunday; Holidays \$47.00 to \$50.00

Permits: Resident Senior Permit \$800.00 to \$900.00

Carts: League Carts (per seat) \$10.00 to \$15.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Varela to accept and approve the changes to the 2021 Golf Course Rates. Motion carried.

Superintendent Carpenter reported that O'Donnell's Parc Grant work has been shut down because of winter weather, but will be completed by the end of May. A fire was lit at DW Field Park which scorched approximately 2,000 square feet of brush. Field Prep will is scheduled to start next week, delayed by Covid Restrictions within the department. A Park employee just retired who was on Worker's Compensation. Mayor and CFO agreed to fund Groundskeeper and Greenskeeper position at DW Field Park in the upcoming fiscal year.

Superintendent Carpenter reported to the Commission on the Golf Course. The soft opening is scheduled for Saturday, March 20^{th} . They will be doing an "early special" of \$30.00 green fees. The regular rates will go into effect approximately April 1^{st} , depending on conditions. The golf pro and lunchroom is ready to start the season. Improvements have been made to the Lunchroom by removing the rugs and flooring. A fresh coat of paint and reconfiguring of the entry to the ladies room.

Commissioner Varela inquired about Edgar's Playground gathering limits and individuals using the park with unpermitted use. Superintendent Carpenter stated that the permit process will follow Massachusetts' Covid Response directives.

Having no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Varela to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy W. Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks