

MINUTES
PARK COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY, MARCH 9TH, 2023

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 9th, 2023 in their office, 45 Meadow Lane, Brockton, MA and VIA VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING. There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Studenski. Present were Commissioner Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Billy Anderson, Commissioner Kevin Borges, Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter, and Head Clerk Rene Brown.

Motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Borges to accept the minutes of the February 9th, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

A discussion was heard concerning the 2023 Rules, Regulations and Fee Schedule for Adult Leagues use of City's Parks. Superintendent Carpenter reported that there have been several instances of excessive trash and destruction of park property. He asked the Commission to consider a deposit on Adult Leagues. If there were no incidences, the deposit would be refunded at the end of the permit date.

Motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Borges to raise the Adult League fee to \$750.00, which \$250.00 would be refundable at the end of the permit with no incidences of excessive trash or destruction of park property. Motion carried.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on the Golf Course's present conditions. The staff is cleaning up the course, the course furniture and servicing the equipment. The golf course is scheduled to open on April 1st, 2023 weather dependent. The golf pro has signed up two more leagues. The lunchroom is all set to open as the inspection of the kitchen exhaust has been done by the Fire Inspector. A new greenskeeper is to start on Monday. Netting project has been on hold due to the shipping delays of the supplies. Netting will be in by next week, but the project has been delayed to April 15th. He may have to close the 10th and 11th hole during construction.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on the City's Parks and the Cosgrove Pool. He reported that Senator Warren, Senator Markey and Representative Lynch delivered a \$3 million grant for the repair and renovations of the Cosgrove Pool. The total amount needed for the project is \$4.5 million which the difference will be funded by ARPA funding. The design will be similar to the Manning Pool which includes an ADA compliant building and entry. Due to the renovations of the Cosgrove Pool, it will not be open this upcoming season. Commissioner Varela inquired about planning and scheduling for the upcoming attendance at the Manning Pool. Superintendent Carpenter stated that he would have to have a conversation with Community Schools and the Mayor's office for his Summer Program. The Park Staff is doing tree and cleanup work, including spring maintenance on the equipment. The DW Welcome Center site will be demolished and rebuilt by Southeastern Regional High School students.

Guides of the Massachusetts Public Board and Commissions was handed to the Commission members. The Mayor's State of the City address will be held at Brockton High School on March 16, 2023.

Having no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Borges to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy W. Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks