

MINUTES
PARK COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY, JANUARY 11TH, 2024

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2024 in their office, 45 Meadow Lane, Brockton, MA. There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Studenski. Present were Commissioner Billy Anderson, Commissioner Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Kevin Borges, Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter and Administrative Assistant Rene' Brown.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borges and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept the minutes of the November 30th, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

A discussion was held pertaining to a Rules, Regulations and Fee Schedule for the City's Parks under the care and control of the Park Commission. Superintendent Carpenter discussed the issues pertaining to the permitting procedure.

Motion was made by Commissioner Varela and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to keep the Adult League fee at \$500.00 for the 2024 season. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borges and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to keep the Adult League's Deposit fee at \$250.00 for the 2024 season. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Borges to keep the Application fee at \$25.00 for the 2024 Season. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Anderson and seconded by Commissioner Varela to keep the Electricity Fee for the Lights at Tukis Playground at \$50.00 a night for the 2024 Season. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borges and seconded by Commissioner Varela to ADD a \$25.00 Electricity Charge per event for the 2024 season. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borges and seconded by Commissioner Varela to ADD a \$10.00 Key Deposit for the Lights at Tukis Playground. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borges and seconded by Commissioner Varela to ADD the present ruling of NO GRILLS AT BENT PLAYGROUND OR EDGARS PLAYGROUND to the "Rules and Regulations of City Parks". Motion carried.

A discussion was held pertaining to Puffer Playground's \$200,000 state appropriation from State Representative Dubois. Superintendent Carpenter explained to the Commission the different configurations and cost of the proposed play equipment. Some of the other concerns of the project is the flood plain and limited parking. He would like to have insight from the Park Commission prior to the Public Hearing. Councilor Varela proposed to keep the project on the smaller side with play equipment only. Councilor Borges mentioned that play equipment that is directed towards 5 to 8-year-old children would be a better fit for this small neighborhood playground. Superintendent Carpenter shared that he would keep the Commission abreast of the project as it goes forward.

Superintendent Carpenter updated the Commission about the Cosgrove Pool. He presented photos of the Cosgrove Pool excavation and he reported that the asbestos has been remediated. DW Field Park's master plan is near completion. He is working with the Town of Avon for a \$1.3 million dollar grant for storm water and street repair. He was able to tour a green storm water management site in Rhode Island to get ideas. Park and Golf Employees have been working on equipment and various painting projects. Budget Packages should be out within the next month and he will supply the current golf rates of area golf courses for their review prior to the next scheduled meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Borges and seconded by Commissioner Varela to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. 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