

MINUTES
PARK COMMISSION
MEETING OF THURSDAY, AUGUST 15TH, 2024

The Park Commission held their Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 15, 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 Ulisses Varela, Commissioner Billy Anderson, Superintendent Timothy W. Carpenter and Administrative Assistant Rene' Brown. Commissioner Kevin Borges resigned.

Motion was made by Commissioner Varela and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to accept the minutes of the May 9th, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

Superintendent Carpenter reported to the Commission the Golf Pro's update. There has been 32 days impacted by weather. He reported that Senior promotions end at 11:00 on Fridays and the upcoming community outreach and tournaments.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on D.W. Golf Course revenues and conditions. The monthly revenues are as follows:

- May of 2024 was \$200,313; down by \$25,594 from May of 2023.
- June of 2024 was \$282,787; up by \$45,865 from June of 2023.
- July of 2024 was \$275,332; up by \$22,408 from July of 2023.
- 2024 Year to Date is \$1,064,942; up by \$29,733 from 2023 Year to Date.

Overall golf rounds are down, but revenues are up. As for the Golf Course's condition, there was a pin hole sized leak in the irrigation system. The computer controller was "fried" due to the water leak. They welded the leak as a temporary fix. Hoping to use the McDonnell estate money to fix the irrigation system as the irrigation system is approximately thirty years old. The window project is almost completed, as they are waiting on the screens.

Superintendent Carpenter discussed numerous park project's status updates:

- Holster Park – almost completed. The backboards have no double rims.
- Buckley Playground – Basketball courts, play equipment, tennis courts and infield.
- DeMello Playground – Basketball courts, new fencing and replacement of the zip line.
- Tukis Playground – Fence installed and parking barriers.
- Walkers Playground – set of bleachers, placement of engineered wood fiber in play area and new backboards installed on both courts.
- Edgars Playground – Construction just started – 6 trees have been removed, repainting all courts and new fencing.

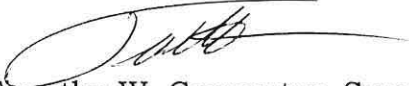
- Bent Playground – There is a significant backlog on play equipment. There will be a new walkway and Gazebo.
- Downey Complex – Upgrades include new trash receptacles, new benches and tree work. Waiting on the new scoreboard.
- D.W. Field Park – The Masterplan should be available by Early September.
- Hillstrom Farm – New gate and parking area; the old tennis courts are new futsal courts. Also, he reported that the City's water pressure is too low for the planned irrigation. A generator is needed, so electricity must be installed which would require an easement.

Motion was made by Commissioner Varela and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to for an easement to National Grid to place two poles a 0 North Avenue. Motion carried.

Superintendent Carpenter reported on the Manning and Cosgrove Pools. The Cosgrove Pool opened on July 15th using the Old Colony Y's lifeguards. Special Education will have the mornings to do their programs. The Manning Pool overall's receipts were down due to the free entry Cosgrove Pool. He would like to further discuss the management of the Manning Pool in the October or November meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Varela and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy W. Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks