

CANTON PARK COMMISSION

BOARD MINUTES

MONTHLY MEETING

June 11, 2014

The Canton Board of Park Commissioners met in a regular meeting on June 11, 2014.

Attendance:

Board Members: President Andrew Black, Vice President Zutali,

Staff Members Present: Mr. Derek Gordon, Park Director, Dan Kunz, Assistant Park Director & Theresa Gang, Office Manager

Community Members: Ken Ash, Alice Sarver, O.U.R., Leon Cote, Eric Resnick, CJRD, Tim Trobovich, CJRD, Kevin LHommeden, Canton Law Dept, Jim Griffin, Canton City Council

The meeting was called to order at 4:42pm by President Black.

Meeting minutes from the May 14, 2014 Regular Meeting were reviewed by the Commissioners.

President Black motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Correction: The next board meeting will be July 9th @ Canton Garden Center not June 9th

OLD BUSINESS

1. Park and Recreation Merger—Office Consolidation- Director Gordon informed Commissioners that the move into Canton Joint Recreation office space is 75% completed. Signs have been posted on the office doors and will be posted on website once there is a final move.
2. Canton Recreational Services Coalition Update— There has been discussion to focus on football programming for the upcoming year. The meeting scheduled for Monday, June 17th may be cancelled.
3. The JBSC /CJRD/ City Parks have not reached an agreement to date. After a lengthy discussion highlighting concerns about the agreement by each organization, the parties decided to meet on Monday, June 17th at 5pm at the CJRD office. Public notice will be sent for the joint meeting.

EVENT REQUESTS

1. Word of God Community Church – Bup Rearick – August 23rd President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Pro Football HOF 2-Mile/5K – Stadium Park – July 27th – The Commissioners requested that a map of that 5 mile route also be obtained prior to the event. President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Canton Community Clinic -Mother Gooseland – August 16th - The Commissioners suggested identifying additional parking for event. Logistics must be worked out including access for electric and picnic tables will be added to the site. President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Family Birthday Party – Martindale Park – June 21st - The Commissioners requested that it is confirmed that the event insurance covers all activities and block out additional shelter. President Black motioned to

approve the event request contingent upon these items being satisfied. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Gesthemene Baptist Church – Reiter Park – June 21st - President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church – Stadium Park – July 12th - President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Pregnancy Support Center – Stadium #2 – October 4th – An addendum is requested for this previously approved event to add a tethered hot air balloon. Appropriate insurance must be obtained. President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Roshong Park – Eagle Scout Project – Ben Crawford – A plaque draft was submitted for approval. The Board requested research will be done to define the intent of the park’s dedication as a memorial for all police not individual officers as well as research on similar parks. The Roshong family should be contacted as well. No action taken.
2. Financial Report - President Black motioned to approve the event request. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Director’s Report
 - i. Discussion regarding approach to mowing Jackson Park area to return to a natural state with a footpath mowed. Director Gordon will organize a site visit with the Commissioners and Councilmembers to review Jackson Park and other current and potential conservation areas. The goal is to repurpose one full day of mowing per week toward additional projects such as painting and/or additional maintenance.
4. Executive Session
 - i. President Black motioned to enter into executive session at 6:40pm for the purposes of discussing a disciplinary matter of public employees with no action to follow. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - ii. President Black motioned to exit executive session at 7:01pm. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

President Black motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:02pm. Commissioner Zutali seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Park Commission Meeting to be held at 4:00pm on July 9, 2014 at the Canton Garden Center.

Andy Black, President

Derek Gordon, Director