

AGENDA

CANTON BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2006

GARDEN CENTER BUILDING

4:00 P.M.

Reading of the minutes of the July 12, 2006 regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mitey-Mite Program
2. Naming of New Park Area
3. Final approval for Women's Expo Monument at Westbrook Veterans Memorial Park

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Thank you note regarding Sgt. Thristino
2. Electric additions Nimisilla Park

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

CANTON PARK COMMISSION

BOARD MINUTES

AUGUST, 2006

The Canton Board of Park Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, August 9, 2006, at the Garden Center Building.

Present were: Mr. Andy Black, President; Mr. Steve Lamiell, Vice President; Ms. Marilyn Thomas Jones, Member; and Mr. Douglas V. Perry, Director/Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m.

At this time a motion was made by A. Black to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2006 regular meeting as written. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mitey-Mite Program - The Director informed the Board that Mr. Miday had called and informed him that he could not make the meeting. Mr. Miday also stated that his Board President did not want to attend without him. The Director stated that they had talked about some of the problems. Mr. Miday stated that he was working on a reorganization and the problems. The Director told Mr. Miday he would try and get the issue tabled.

The issue was tabled. Mr. Black stated he still wanted to meet with Mr. Miday and Mr. Zugrave at some point.

2. Naming of New Park Area - The Director informed the Board that he had as yet received no request for the Board to take control and management of the new area. He did inform them that the City Engineer had told him that a plan was developed to move topsoil into the property. The issue remained tabled.
3. Final approval for Women's Expo Monument at Westbrook Veterans Memorial Park - The Board reviewed the drawing submitted for the stone, and a motion was then made by A. Black to give final approval to the project. A second was made by M.T. Jones, and the motion then passed by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Thank you note regarding Sgt. Thristino - The Board reviewed two thank you notes regarding Sgt. Thristino's effort to return a lost cell phone during the concert in the park.
2. Electric additions Nimisilla Park - The Board reviewed the information provided by the Director regarding adding electric service in Nimisilla Park. They reviewed the quotes by Abbott Electric and AEP. The Board discussed the fact that Abbott Electric had recommended a 400 amp three phase service and the type and number of events now taking place in the park.

At the end of the discussion a motion was made by A. Black to add a 200 amp single phase service to the park as funds are made available for next year. The Director to do whatever step up work that could be done this year with AEP. Mr. Black felt that adding a 200 amp service to the park made the most sense. Events that needed more power would have to continue to arrange for generators. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Shelter Policy Revisions - The Director requested the Board consider changing the reservation of shelters policy. He requested that moving picnic shelters dates due to a cancellation should be dropped as impractical and that words should be added to the Garden Center and Garaux cancellation indicating that the date must be cancelled prior to the date.

A motion was made by A. Black to drop the re-schedule provision for picnic shelters and to add the words "Event **must** be cancelled no later than the close of business on the last working day of the Park or Garden Center offices prior to the event by personal contact with Park staff." Changes are to be effective immediately. A second was made by M.T. Jones, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

2. Muskrat and Raccoon Trapping - The Director requested the Board to authorize the trapping of muskrats and raccoons in the Park System for the 2006-2007 trapping season. A motion to approve this request was made by A. Black. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.
3. Central Allied Enterprises, Inc. Letter - Central Allied Enterprises sent a letter concerning the removal of the fence work around the tennis courts at Garaux Park. They feel the lack of a "physical obstacle" between their parking lot and the park will allow motor vehicles to travel through their parking lot and into the park. They feel this could put at risk park users.

The Board instructed the Director to install wooden posts to prevent vehicles from entering the park through their parking area.

4. Proposed budget - Waterworks Development - The Director informed the Board that he had been asked by Planning for a proposed budget and a drawing showing the park concept and some other information.

The Director provided a copy of the information to the Board that he had sent to planning. He pointed out that since there were no final plans as to this project a budget was difficult to do. Also, a drawing would need about \$3,500 which he did not have in accounts to do at this time.

5. Bridges involved in the extension of the Stark County Trail System through Stadium and Ink Parks - The Director informed the Board that he had been in a meeting with the City Engineer concerning the new bridges. He told the Board that there may be a possibility of using an old bridge that could make a good historical marker site as there used to be a bridge company located in Canton.

The Director will keep the Board informed as plans continue to be put together.

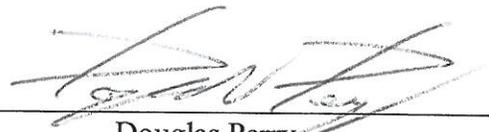
6. The Director informed the Board that the Canton Garden Center would like to expand the hours of their Holly Pine Lane event to stay open until 8:00 p.m. on Friday night. The Director told the Board this would cause a few more hours of overtime, but that it was a good idea.

The Board had no objections to the additional hours.

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.



Andy Black
President



Douglas Perry
Director/Secretary