

AGENDA

CANTON BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2005

GARDEN CENTER BUILDING

4:00 P.M.

Reading of the minutes of the June 1, 2005 regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. West Park Proposal
2. Picnic Table Policy

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

CANTON PARK COMMISSION

BOARD MINUTES

JULY, 2005

The Canton Board of Park Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, July 13, 2005, at the Garden Center Building.

Present were: Mr. Andy Black, President; Mr. Steve Lamiell, Vice President; Mr. Jim Speakman, Member; and Mr. Douglas V. Perry, Director/Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

At this time President Black made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2005 regular meeting as written. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. West Park Proposal - Being no new information presented to the Board with regard to this proposal, the issue was tabled.
2. Picnic Table Policy - Being no new information presented to the Board with regard to this proposal, the issue remained tabled.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. The Director informed the Board that City Council had approved pay adjustments for City management/non-bargaining unit employees in the amount of 3% retroactive to January 1, 2005.

The Board reviewed the required and proposed changes to the personnel ordinance, and a motion was then made by A. Black to approve a 3% pay increase retroactive to January 1, 2005 for Park Commission management/ non-bargaining unit employees and the new personnel ordinance.

A second was made by J. Speakman, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

2. The Board reviewed a letter from Ms. Mona Collins requesting a refund of her park shelter fee due to the fact that some concrete work had been done at the shelter and then it had rained causing the shelter to be surrounded by mud.
The Board discussed this request. The Board noted it had a no fault, no refund policy with regard to the shelter fees. However, the Park crews had done some improvement to the shelter and even though the staff cannot predict the weather conditions at the time of each shelter use, the rain and construction activities did create an unusual condition.

A motion was made by A. Black to grant Ms. Collins a free use of a park shelter for the 2005 or 2006 season. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. A request to use Brian's Park on July 23, 2005, to hold a block party from a committee of neighborhood people was reviewed. The group wants to use the park from noon to 5:00 p.m. and have food, music, and games. The Board noted that this was a public event with attractions.

A motion was made by A. Black to approve the use, but only with an insurance requirement. Mr. Black suggested they get a sponsor who already had insurance. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

4. The Board reviewed a letter from Ms. Nadine Sawaya, Recreation Director, with regard to the tennis courts at Garaux Park.

They instructed the Director to send a letter to Councilmember Griffin with a copy of Ms. Sawaya's letter telling him that we intended to request money in the 2006 budget to do something with the courts.

5. Letter from Councilmember Hart requesting the Board waive shelter use fees for retirees who have resided in the City and paid taxes and park levies over the years.

The Board reviewed this request and noted that beside the fact that confirming the necessary information would be difficult at best, they felt in all likelihood we would not be collecting shelter fees anymore since shelter uses have many people attending each one and most likely someone at each one would fall into such a category.

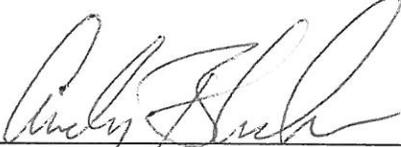
Mr. Black stated he would respond to Councilmember Hart that the Board could not adopt such a policy.

6. The Director informed the Board of several items:

- A. The vandalism rate was up. Garaux Park shelter had been painted up, the female statue at the Veterans Memorial had been knocked over, and the water fountain at West Park was damaged recently.

- B. Beaver Construction was progressing with the West Park project.
- C. The hospital had cleaned out the upper pond in the stone garden area.
- D. ODNR had done a goose roundup on June 24th and July 1st and a number of geese were removed.

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.



Andy Black
President



Douglas Perry
Director/Secretary

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Mr. R.A. Mallonn II
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City of Canton

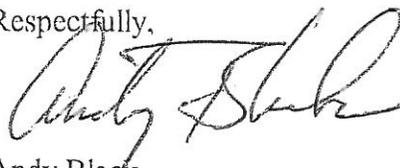
Dear Mr. Mallonn:

The Board of Park Commissioners have approved the following salary changes for Park Commission employees to be effective 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2005:

Douglas V. Perry	Director/Secretary	\$67,956
Douglas Foltz	Assistant Director	\$54,064
Frank Thristino	Sergeant Park Police	\$45,626
Bonnie Vincent	Administrative Assistant III	\$16.46/hr.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



Andy Black
President

AB/bv

cc: Canton City Treasurer
Canton Civil Service Commission
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