

AGENDA

CANTON BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2007

GARDEN CENTER BUILDING

4:00 P.M.

Reading of the minutes of the February 14, 2007 regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stark County Disc Golf Association requesting to use Arboretum and Spiker Parks on Saturday, May 12, 2007, as a part of their annual "Hall of Chains" tournament.
2. Possible benefit changes for Park Commission Management Staff
3. Rules and Regulations Proposal

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

# CANTON PARK COMMISSION

## BOARD MINUTES

MARCH, 2007

The Canton Board of Park Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, March 7, 2007, at the Garden Center Building.

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

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

At this time a motion was made by M. Thomas Jones to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2007, regular meeting with the addition of Ms. Sally Lewis' name with regard to Mr. Terry Lewis' request to use Stadium Park for a St. Patrick's Day Race. A second was made by A. Black, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stark County Disc Golf Association requesting to use Arboretum and Spiker Parks on Saturday, May 12, 2007, as a part of their annual "Hall of Chains" tournament - The Board reviewed this request, and a motion was then made by M. Thomas Jones to approve it with an insurance requirement. A second was made by A. Black, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.
2. Possible benefit changes for Park Commission Management Staff - The Director reported to the Board that there were some changes being proposed for management employees of the City. City Council had not acted on them as yet so there was nothing to consider at this time. Tabled.
3. Rules and Regulations Proposal - The Director presented to the Board with the rules and regulations as a work in progress and asked them to return to him any suggestions they may have for them.

Mr. Winberry asked about remote controlled airplanes, and if we had an area designated for such activity. The Director stated we did not, and he had never been asked about planes, but had been asked a couple of times about remote controlled boats; however, not often.

Ms. Thomas Jones asked if something should be placed in regarding what kind of organizations could receive approval to use park properties for organized activities.

The Director will look into those issues.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Ms. Thomas Jones informed the Board that she knew that the Harter Heights Neighborhood Association was interested in getting a dog park in their area and that the O.U.R. Neighborhood Association was interested in getting Playground F at 41<sup>st</sup> & Bernard updated, and the equipment there now was rusty.

The Director stated that he had requested capital money for a dog park although he had not picked a location for one. He would contact the Councilperson to make sure he knew of the request.

However, Green Acres Park in the Harter Heights area was one location that he had looked at for this facility. The Director also stated that he would work with the Councilperson in the O.U.R. area to try and develop a plan and funding for a playground upgrade. The Director would also contact the Recreation Department to see if they could get the old equipment painted.

2. Request by Burgess and Niple to run a new sanitary sewer line from the Canton Water Department through Bors Field to an existing line near the creek.

The Director stated that the work would have an impact on use of the fields, but it needs to be done. Safety would be important and that issue had already been discussed with the designer.

A motion to approve the project was made by L. Winberry. A second was made by A. Black, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox Church requesting the use of the parking lots at Weis Park from June 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 10, 2007 for their annual Summerfest event.

A motion to approve this request with an insurance requirement was made by A. Black. A second was made by M. Thomas Jones, and the motion then passed by unanimous vote.

4. Request from Councilmember West to use Nimisilla Park on July 29<sup>th</sup> for the O'Jay's Homecoming Weekend event.

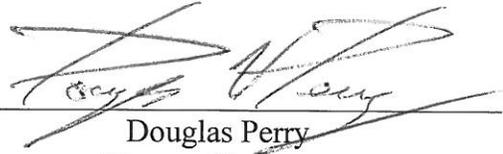
The Board reviewed this request and noted that no nonprofit organization had made the request. The Director was instructed to hold the date and inform Councilmember West that they have no objection to the event, but that they would need the request to be from the usual nonprofit organization. The issue was tabled.

5. The Director reviewed with the Board the plan for the Willig Field improvements.
6. Mr. Black spoke of the Timken Company employees doing an Earth Day project at Stadium Park on April 22, 2007.

Being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.



Andy Black  
President



Douglas Perry  
Director/Secretary