

AGENDA

CANTON BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2005

GARDEN CENTER BUILDING

4:00 P.M.

Reading of the minutes of the August 10, 2005 regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. West Park Proposal
2. Picnic Table Policy

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Use Requests:
 - A. Seneca District of BSA requesting to use Arboretum Park from Sunday, July 16, 2006 thru Friday, July 21, 2006 to hold their annual day camp.
 - B. Canton Recreation Department requesting the use of the Garden Center Building on April 13, 2006 for a 4th, 5th and 6th grade Easter dance and egg hunt. Also on March 24 for an all day school program.
 - C. Yvonne Cain requesting to use Arboretum or Spiker Parks on July 15, 2005, to hold a vow renewal.
2. Thank You Letters:
 - A. From Ms. Geraldine Robinson for the naming of the ballfield at Harmont Park after her husband.
 - B. Pro Football Hall of Fame for our efforts for the Enshrinement, Game and First Play events.
3. Letters:
 - A. From Mr. Michael DiRocco regarding condition of bathrooms and shelter during a shelter reservation.
 - B. From Councilmember Griffin regarding the tennis courts at Garaux Park.
 - C. Several letters regarding the 2005 Joy Fest activity at Nimisilla Park

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

CANTON PARK COMMISSION

BOARD MINUTES

SEPTEMBER, 2005

The Canton Board of Park Commissioners met in regular session on Wednesday, September 14, 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 4:09 p.m.

At this time President Black made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 10, 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 that no new information has been presented to the Board with regard to this issue, the item was removed from the Agenda.
2. Picnic Table Policy - The Board reviewed the proposed policy. They then instructed the Director to revisit the policy and bring it back for Board action at next month's meeting.

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The Board considered the requests. A motion was then made by A. Black to approve them with an insurance requirement on use A. A second was made by J. Speakman, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

2. Thank You Letters:

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The Board reviewed the above letters.

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The Board reviewed the above letters. The Director explained that the tennis courts at Garaux Park were closed at this time to see what response we would receive.

The Board decided to respond to the letters received about the problems at the Joy Fest Activity. A letter is to be sent from President Black.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Use Requests:

- A. American Red Cross requesting to use the Stadium Park first come first serve shelter, the soccer fields, and the creek to hold their annual Duck Race on Sunday, June 25, 2006.
- B. Plain Local Baseball Association requesting to use the ball fields at Covered Bridge and Oak Parks for the March, 2006 thru July, 2006 season.
- C. Trinity Gospel Temple requesting to use Nimisilla Park on Saturday, July 29, 2006, to hold their annual "Drug Free Rally and Gospel Jazz Concert."

The Board reviewed the requests. A motion was then made by A. Black to approve them with an insurance requirement on A and C. A second was made by S. Lamiell, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

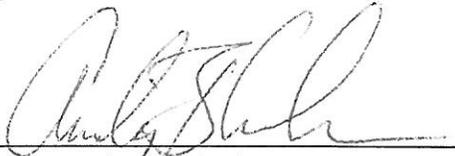
2. President Black and the Director informed the Board of their trip to Grove City to view their playground built in part with a Federal grant like the one the Park System is supposed to receive.

President Black liked the idea of a theme for the park. The Director stated that there were lots of possible themes. Waterworks was the pump house for the Canton Waterworks. Dueber-Hampden was nearby, as is the McKinley. The Director thought it would be nice to place a fountain in the park as the pump house had one there for years.

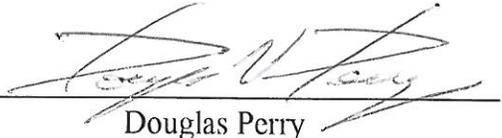
President Black thought a splash park might be possible and suggested a public meeting to invite public comment on the project once the grant was in our hands.

The Director was instructed to find out what other Park Systems had splash parks and get some information on them.

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



Andy Black
President



Douglas Perry
Director/Secretary