



CITY OF BURTON

BURTON PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

MAY 11, 2016

MINUTES

Community Room

Regular Meeting

5:30 PM

4303 S. CENTER ROAD
BURTON, MI 48519

This meeting was opened by Chairman James Craig at 5:30 PM.

A. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sandra Talbot	Co-Chairman	Present	
Robert Spose	Commissioner	Present	
James Craig	Chairman	Present	
Debra Dunsmore	Commissioner	Present	
Steven Hatfield	Councilman	Present	
Robert Wilson	Commissioner	Excused	
Sherry Adams	Commissioner	Present	
Angela Jackson	Commissioner	Excused	

B. STAFF PRESENT

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Parks & Recreation Commission - Regular Meeting - Apr 13, 2016 5:30 PM

Minutes will be presented for approval at the June 8, 2016 meeting.

D. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

1. Memorial Day Update

Mrs. Bigsby stated Tom Heckman will be our male Veteran of the Year and we are still waiting on the female Veteran of the Year. Henry Kruger could be our Memorial Veteran of the Year. Doug Hedrick will be our Firefighter of the Year and we are still waiting on the Police Officer of the Year. I will ask DPW to take the parade trailer to Mr. Wilson's drive. I need all parade participants' forms as soon as possible.

Mr. Spose said he would take care of the parade placement signs.

2. Movies on the Lawn Series

Mrs. Bigsby said the Movies in the Park are scheduled for June 11, June 18 and June 25, 2016 at the Burton Eagles on Bristol Road at dusk. The backup location in case it rains will be Bendle.

3. Discussion on summer events

Mr. Craig would like to do a cost comparison on renting a tent versus buying a tent for the events.

Mrs. Bigsby stated Mr. Hatfield would like to have a Music in the Park event. We will table this discussion until the next meeting.

4. Burton Youth League update

Mrs. Bigsby stated as for the Burton Youth League we have a total of 392 children, (92 T-Ball, 193 Baseball and 107 softball). We may have 14 kids coming from Carmen Ainsworth. They have until tomorrow to get their registrations in. We had three scholarships.

5. Family Movie Night update

Mrs. Bigsby said the movie night at Bentley turned out great. We had about 50 people attend. The screen was just as clear on the back side of the screen as it was on the front of the screen. We had popcorn and water and the kids loved it.

E. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mona Miron of the Burton Historical Society spoke regarding the sign for the Atherton Settlement Park and the naming of the park. Ms. Miron said that the sign has been taken down. I have spoken to DPW and was told the sign was not in any violation. Picnic tables, flowers and mulch were donated to the Burton Historical Society for the park. On the City of Burton website it is named Atherton Settlement Park.

Sadonna Myers of Burton stated I am the President of the Friends of the Library. I would like to thank DPW for helping us by bringing the books to our library for the quarterly book sales. We are in the process of cleaning up and beautifying the outside grounds. We would like to get this done before Memorial Day. Mary Downs will be donating a Japanese Maple Tree. I also want to thank Mark Morris Abbott for graciously letting us store thousands of books in his pole barn for many years. Unfortunately we will need to find another location for all these books.

Councilman Steven Heffner said back when I was on the Parks & Recreation Commission we discussed having the history of Burton placed on a plaque with the name of Settlement Park. In the Five Year Plan the name of the park is Settlement Park.

Mr. Craig thanked Ms. Miron for having the sign made. He said that it is a very nice sign. I think we should table the sign issue until the naming of the park is complete. Any donations need to go through Mrs. Bigsby, Parks & Recreation Director from now on to avoid any confusion.

Mrs. Bigsby stated in July of 2012 we started talking about the Thread Creek Park and our Five Year Plan was done. Which became the Settlement Park. In November of 2012 it was approved by City Council to keep the name Atherton Settlement Park. June of 2013 the Parks & Recreation Commission voted to change the name from Atherton Settlement Park to Settlement Park. This motion carried. This was not taken back to the City Council for approval, so as of today, the name of the park is still Atherton Settlement Park.

Deanna Beckman of Davison spoke regarding the Atherton Settlement Park sign and asked for clarification on the proper procedures.

F. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The next Memorial Day Parade meeting will be May 16, 2016 at 5:00 PM in the community room at Burton City Hall. We will be running ads for the Memorial Day activities in the Burton View. Marcus wants to do the face painting again. The Pizza event at Sharkey's raised over \$300.00 for the Movies in the Park events.

The line item budget this year is very challenging.

G. COMMISSION DISCUSSION

H. COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR ACTION

- I. Motion to present to City Council for approval the name change of Atherton Settlement Park to Settlement Park.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Spose, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Debra Dunsmore, Commissioner
AYES:	Talbot, Spose, Craig, Dunsmore, Hatfield, Adams
EXCUSED:	Wilson, Jackson

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.