Minutes - Tri-Township Park District

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-Township Park District Board of Commissioners was convened at 7:45 P. M. January 18, 1977 at the home of Commissioner Leonard, with President Russell Wiesemeyer presiding. All members reported present to the roll call with the exception of Commissioners Arth and Langenwalter.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and the bills were presented. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the bills, made by Commissioner, was seconded by Commissioner Leonard and carried.

Communications were read by Commissioner Leonard as follows: Letter to Paul Riebold from Bill Watts, Asst. Director, Madison County Community Development, advising that Development projects would be considered at a public meeting on 12/8/76.

Letter dated 12/14/76 from Nelson Hagnauer, with copy to Paul Riebold, identifying those projects which were awarded discretionary funds by the Madison County Community Development Committee.

Letter dated 1/6/77 from the Conservation Dept., State of Illinois, advising that the Tri-Township Park District application for matching funds for the Tennis-Basketball Court-Ice Skating Rink Project was not recognized for FY 1977 funding.

Letter dated 11/22/76 from Thompson Associates notifying the District that a search was conducted throughout the Missouri Park Systems to determine the kind of freezeproof water closet being used in their comfort stations. Since this search did not reveal the use of a freezeproof unit, Mr. Thompson advised that doors be installed and anti-freeze be used in the traps of the water closets in the District comfort station now under construction.

Various newsletters from the Illinois Association of Park Districts were read announcing forthcoming seminars, meetings and workshops.

As a result of the disapproval of matching funds for the Tennis-Basketball Court-Ice Skating Rink Project, discussion ensued on the practicality of continuing to apply for assistance, with no degree of assurance of approval, while the price of construction continues to escalate and the Park continues to be without a major recreational facility. Commissioner Gindler moved that the District undertake funding of the Project from the General Fund with the assistance of funding which has been designated by the Troy Lions Club for the Project He further moved that bids be obtained as soon as possible and that notification be made to the Troy Lions Club, by letter, that, in view of no-recognition by the Department of Conservation for matching

funds, the District will proceed with the Project without the benefit of matching funds and with the assistance of the \$15,000.00 designated by the Troy Lions flub for the Project. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Leonard and carried.

Commissioner Leonard presented a slide of a memerial type structure which he suggested for the memorial to George Schmalz. The structure contained two cabinets opening from both sides under a port=type roof, open on all sides with demensions of ten feet by seven feet, six inches. Commissioner Leonard suggested that one side of one cabinet be used to house additional memorials identified by a metal plack. The other three openings would contain a Map of Illinois, Map of the Park, and Rules and Regulations of the Park. Other Commissioners approved the structure and Commissioner Leonard was authorized to proceed with construction subject to the approval of Mrs. Schmalz.

Commissioner Leonard agreed to contact Earl Bress to assure that he would again maintain the flower gardens in the Park.

Commissioner Wiesemeyer nated that he would contact judges for the Park Board Election on April 5th. He also agreed to contact the City for a ballot box and the Legion Post 708 to assure the location.

Commissioner Wiesemeyer reported on his contacts with Herman Hecht.

Commissioner discussed Paul Riebold's reluctance to run for Supervisor with a vote of confidence. In view of various assistance that Paul Riebold has made available to the Park, Commissioner Leonard agreed to proceed with a meeting, near the end of the month with the Library Committee, Fire Dept. Trustees, the Sr. Citizens to seek a vote of confidence.

Motion for adjournment at 10:30 PM was made by Commissioner Leonard, seconded by Commissioner Wiesemeyer and carried.

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