

MINUTES - TRI-TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-Township Park District Board of Commissioners was convened at the Jarvis Township Senior Citizen Center at 7:00 P.M. on April 10, 1991 with president Russell Wiesemeyer presiding. Commissioners answering present to the roll call in addition to the president were Converse, Greenfield, Italiano, Loyet and Taake.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Don Bartsch came before the Board to get clarification on insurance requirements for those organizations hosting the 4th of July Family Picnic. Commissioner Greenfield has spoken with a representative of the Legion's insurance carrier who will provide the certificate of insurance naming the District as co-insured for the required one million dollar general liability coverage. Dram shop coverage must name all four sponsoring organizations for the maximum coverage. Greenfield suggested that Bartsch contact the Legion's insurance agent again.

David Case and Jamie Scherer made a presentation to the Board concerning their views and recommendations on the fencing of the park, park security and use of the new walking path. Case was opposed to using the fence and a caretaker in the park as a deterrent to vandalism. He recommended the use of auxiliary police, a large tower to maintain surveillance together with golf carts, high power binoculars, etc. He also was opposed to banning bicycles from the walking path. Board members responded to his comments and agreed to take his recommendations under advisement.

E. Wood, president of Burnham and Flowers, Peoria, Il., Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD) designated carrier for the self insurance pool for Illinois Park Districts has done a survey of the District insurance requirements on which he provided a brochure to the members of the Board. He discussed the merits of the program and made comparisons to standard insurance. The Board agreed to make a decision on insurance coverage and contact him the following day.

A group of tennis players approached the Board regarding the extensive use of the courts by the tennis pro, Barry Storm, during prime time hours. A letter was read presenting their grievances. The group asked that Strom be limited to one court one night per week during prime time hours. They also agreed to Storm's use of one court five evenings per week, Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 6:00 P.M. The group also suggested that windbreakers be provided and that the

lights be adjusted. Commissioner Italiano, tennis program coordinator, agreed to review the program with Storm.

Leonard Zelechowski asked to be allotted ball diamond practice time for Troy Khoury League players now playing with the Maryville Khoury League. The Board gave no objection if the necessary certificate of insurance and roster of players are provided. However the Tri-Township Baseball and Softball Association have preference on the diamonds and additional scheduling would have to be coordinated with them and available time scheduled with Perry Conour.

Mike Coulson and Phil Loethen, TTBSA approached the Board to discuss their 1991 program. They expect to have a certificate of insurance to the Board within two weeks. A schedule of games and practice times have been provided. The Board requested a roster of players. The Board agreed to have C & M Cable install electrical connections necessary for the pitching machine to be used on the Bantam diamond before opening day. The Board also agreed that the pitcher's mound on the large diamond could be leveled but it would have to be restored to it's original condition if an adult team requests scheduling. TTBSA would like to participate in construction of an equipment shed. Commissioner Greenfield stated that he is looking into steel shipping containers or some other storage facilities for all organizations.

Loethen is exploring the idea of organizing an adult softball team within the TTBSA after July 15th, when other organization activity is ended - possibly two weeks in July through two weeks in October. Response to advertising would determine how many nights per week would be scheduled. The Board agreed to the concept except for the fact that Soccer starts the second week in September and coordination with that organization would be required from that time on.

Robert Sleeth presented the insurance proposal for General Liability and Errors and Omissions from Hartford Insurance. Sleeth explained that his agency is an independent selling Hartford as well as other insurances. The Board agreed to take his proposal under consideration and advise him of their choice of insurance carrier the following day.

The Board discussed the two insurance proposals. Motion was made and seconded to continue with Hartford for General Liability and Errors and Omissions maintaining the current one million dollar coverage. All Commissioners answered affirmatively to a roll call vote. The Board agreed that the IAPD insurance pool concept would be further researched in the meantime for future reference.

The bills were read. Motion was seconded and carried to pay bills and transfer \$6,072.71 (closing the account) from

UIB money market account to UIB checking.

Commissioner Loyet gave a report on costs of fertilizer. After discussion, motion was seconded and carried to authorize Commissioner Loyet to expend up to a limit of \$500. to fertilize the grounds as needed.

Commissioner Taake read a letter from Boy Scout, Matt Stonesifer, requesting permission from the Board to donate birdhouses he will build for his Eagle Scout Project to the Park. The Board stated that they would prefer that any birdhouses be suspended from tree limbs in lieu of atop posts. Motion was seconded and carried to authorize the project, which must be coordinated with Commissioner Loyet on size, shape and location.

The Budget and Appropriation Ordinance ending March 31, 1992, was reviewed by the Board. Necessary adjustments were made and the Ordinance will be typed for posting at the City Hall.

The recent election vote for Commissioners Greenfield and Loyet was canvassed on April 4th by Commissioners Taake, Greenfield, Converse and Wiesemeyer. Confirmation was signed and copies were mailed to the County Clerk and the State Board of Elections.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

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Secretary/Treasurer
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