

MINUTES - TRI-TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-Township Park District Board of Commissioners was convened at the park office at 7:00 P.M. on 8/14/96 with president Russell Wiesemeyer presiding. Commissioners answering present to the roll call in addition to the president were Byrne, Eberhart, Italiano, and Taake. Park Director Tim Greenfield was also present.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and the bills were presented. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report and pay bills in the amount of \$24,271.52 was seconded and carried.

A check for \$2,500. was presented to the District as a donation from the Soccer Club. Craig Harris submitted the monthly soccer financial report and advised the Board of current soccer activities. Field Day is scheduled on 8/24/96 and the season will start on 9/27/96. The Board gave permission to the Club to post a "Troy Soccer Club" sign at the concession on the soccer field side of the park. At the request of the Soccer Club to use the outfield of the large ball diamond for soccer games this fall, Commissioner Eberhart was adamant that the soccer players not use the outfield of the large ball diamond for their games. However a discussion followed and the Director stated that arrangements would be worked out to provide some auxillary fields for the increased number of soccer players. In addition the Board stated that park employees would line the soccer field for each game.

All six new ceiling fans have been installed in the Community Center.

A discussion began concerning Employee Health insurance. IPARKS does not provide Health Insurance so the Director spoke with Jim Lyons about a plan. At this point motion was seconded and carried to defer the subject to closed session to discuss employee matters at the end of the meeting.

The Director stated that the park truck is in need of major repair, which would be impractical due to the age of the vehicle. He presented a proposal to purchase a 1989 GMC 3500 Series dump truck with 109,000 miles, which can be obtained for \$10,900. Pictures of the truck were provided to the Commissioners and there is a strong possibility that the dealer would allow a trade in value for the old truck. After discussion, motion was seconded and carried to authorize the Director to purchase the above truck, upon completion of a satisfactory compression test, and with the understanding that the new tires from the old truck can be switched to the newly purchased truck and that the purchase price should not exceed \$11,000.

The Board agreed to award the contract for roofing the office to Kevin Byrne.

Installing the additional lighting for the walking trail should begin next week.

The fountain for the lake has been placed on order, the tables at the Community Center are being repaired and the Lions Agreement on the Maintenance Building has not been completed.

A letter was received from Kathy West, whose son Christopher, was injured while playing baseball for TTBS on 5/13/96. Her insurance has paid all bills except the \$50. deductible, for which she is requesting payment by the District. The Director stated his opinion that TTBS should settle with Mrs. West. Commissioner Italiano stated that he and Commissioner Wieseemeyer will discuss the matter in Committee and make a judgement. The Wilhold claim will also be settled at that time. Commissioner Eberhart suggested that a clear policy should be developed on such instances. He also suggested that each athlete complete a form letter and have it signed by the parents that the District policy on these matters is understood when they register.

Another insurance claim is being settled by the Carrier with the parents of a boy who fell on the ice 3 blocks east of the office building May 27, 1994. The claimant stated that the overflow from the park lake was the cause of the ice formation which caused the fall.

Commissioner Eberhart complained that the dugouts for the ball teams were unreasonably hot - that something should be done to increase the air flow. The Director suggested that the simple solution would be to remove a concrete block here and there to allow air to flow through.

Commissioner Byrne suggested that the Board consider installing fencing on the outfields of the ball diamonds to provide a more professional venue. The Director suggested that a plan for placement of such fences should be prepared by the Athletic Committee and, if approved by the Board, possibly do the installation in increments to lessen the cost impact. Some indecision existed concerning the height of these fences - 4 to 6 feet. The Director and Commissioner Byrne will coordinate the plan and get estimates.

Motion was seconded and carried to go into closed session at 8:45 PM to discuss personnel matters.

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The meeting reopened at 9:20 PM and adjourned immediately thereafter.

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