

Tri-Township Park District
Commissioners Meeting
January 14, 1998

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 by President Taake.

Roll Call:

Present were Commissioners Taake, Jarman, Simpson, Byrne, Wiesemeyer, Superintendent Greenfield and Treasurer Rody. Absent were Commissioners Italiano and Eberhart. Board attorney Dick Cain was also in attendance.

Reading of the minutes:

The minutes of the December 10, 1997 meeting were read and approved. The minutes of the September 10, 1997 meeting were also read and approved.

Communications:

Included in a variety of mail received was a letter from IPARKS listing their accomplishments on our behalf during the last year. These materials were all to be left on file for examination. We also received a letter from the local YMCA asking permission to use the park again this summer for their summer day camp program. No action was taken on this letter. A letter from the County Clerk asks us to submit the names of those required to complete the Statement of Economic Interest. Rody is to take care of this.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report showing a balance of \$200,882.52 was read and approved (Simpson, Jarman 5-0). Bills totalling \$11,396.81 were examined and approved for payment (Byrne, Wiesemeyer 5-0).

Finance Committee:

The auditors have all but one receipt they need to complete the annual audit. The baseball club is providing information about that particular expense.

Insurance Committee:

No report

Building and Grounds Committee:

All electrical work in the Community Center has been completed. The drywall and doors are finished downstairs. The floors need to be refinished and the walls need to be painted.

Taake asked to committee to survey the conditions of the roads in the park soon.

Special Events Committee:

We have not received any requests from either the 4th of July Committee nor the Homecoming Committee at this time.

Athletics Committee:

There was a discussion concerning the amount charged for registration fees for baseball teams that are not part of the TBSL. There was also a discussion concerning the scheduling of games,

practice times, and diamonds for teams that are part of the TBSL and select teams. Byrne and his committee are to meet soon and come back to the next board meeting with recommendations. Simpson is to sit in on this committee for the time being for Eberhart.

The park will hold a Diamond Skills Competition later this spring in conjunction with the TBSL.

We will order four pallets of marking lime and pay for it with park funds. As baseball and softball teams use this lime, they will reimburse the park (Byrne, Simpson 5-0).

Special Construction Committee:

Work on the Veterans' Memorial is on hold due to the weather. The road needs to be regraded. Concrete should be poured around the first of April.

Director's Report:

Byrne and Greenfield will be attending the IPARKS Conference in Chicago January 23-25. Greenfield will get the airplane tickets.

Baseball/Softball Report:

Financial reports have been turned in. Registration will begin in February and practice should start about May 5

There was a lengthy discussion concerning the payment by both the Baseball/Softball Club and the Soccer Club of bills that have not been approved by the board of commissioners. Although this has been the past practice, it is feared this method may come under criticism by our auditor. Taake emphasised that although many, many volunteer hours are spent in managing a successful program, we must run entirely in accordance with the law.

Soccer Report:

Registration is now taking place.

Old Business:

The general consensus of the board is to proceed with plans for our own summer day camp this summer. Plans for this camp and registration forms were examined and discussed. The need for a day care license was raised. Attorney Cain is to research this.

A special board meeting will be held on January 28, 1998 at 7:00 pm in the park office to further discuss the summer day camp program.

The application for the Madison County Recycling Grant was approved. The total cost for the tables ordered will be \$14,380.50 plus \$800.00 shipping. We must pay 25% of the cost plus all of the shipping expense. Our portion will amount to about \$5,200.00 (Wiesemeyer, Simpson 5-0).

New Business:

None

Other Business:

None

Visitors wishing to address the board:

Corey Sutter, a Boy Scout, was introduced by Jarman as a visitor.

lumber. This was also approved (Simpson, Jarman 5-0).

John Harvey asked permission for three select soccer teams to use the park fields on Sunday afternoons. It was noted that this request should be approved just as any other select team would be by following the procedures as decided previously this meeting.

Executive Session:

This meeting was recessed at 8:37 to enter an executive session to discuss personnel and land acquisition (Simpson, Byrne 5-0).

Jarman departed at 8:44.

Meeting was reconvened at 8:54.

Actions as a result of the executive session:

Jill Greenfield was hired as director of our summer day camp program with a salary of \$400/week (Wiesemeyer, Simpson 4-0). Assistants will be hired at the rate of \$240/week or \$6/hour as needed (Simpson, Byrne 4-0).

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 (Simpson, Byrne 4-0).