

Tri-Township Park District  
Commissioners Meeting  
March 10, 1999

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 by President Taake.

Roll call:

Present were Commissioners Taake, Jarman, Byrne Simpson, and Kniser. Also present were Director Greenfield and Accountant Rody. Absent was Commissioner Woodring.

Reading of the minutes:

The minutes of the February 10, 1999 meeting were read and approved.

Commissioner Woodring arrived at 7:05

Communications:

Greenfield reported on the correspondence received this past month. All material will be placed on file for commissioners' review. Letters requesting use of the park and from our attorneys concerning the clean air act are to be discussed later in the proper categories.

Treasurer's report:

The treasurer's report showing a balance of \$113,336.11 was read and approved (Woodring, Byrne 6-0.)

Reading of the bills:

Bills totalling \$3,130.34 were examined and approved for payment (Simpson, Woodring 6-0.) Greenfield is to check again with Illinois Power concerning our bill.

Finance committee:

The finance committee has had one meeting and will be meeting again soon concerning the budget for our next fiscal year. Greenfield presented a projected look at income and expenses for the period starting now and ending in July, at which time we expect to start receiving our real estate taxes from the county.

Insurance committee:

No report

Building and grounds committee:

We have had no contact with the contractor concerning new lights for the ball diamonds.

We have a list of contractors that perform the type of work needed to repair the damaged lake overflow pipe. We have discussed the project with Scott Schmidt, one of the contractors on the list. He estimated that he would need to excavate and replace about 120 feet of pipe at a cost of \$17 per foot. The total cost would be about \$4,500 plus the cost of rip-rap. Commissioners would like more time to consider alternative options.

#### Athletics:

We now have three select teams registered for the upcoming season.

TBSL will start practice on April 1.

The dugouts at the big diamond will be upgraded prior to the start of the season. The score board will be moved to right center field.

#### Special events:

The 4th of July Committee request for use of the park for their annual picnic was approved (Jarman, Woodring) pending the submission of their certificate of insurance. Likewise, the Troy Lions Club request to use the park for the homecoming on July 23 and 24 was approved (Woodring, Simpson).

#### Recreation report:

Kniser reported on the visits he and Greenfield had made to a variety of recreation complexes, both public and private, in the area. He explained that they are looking for ideas as they begin to consider such a project in our park. Many more visits are to be made and committees will be formed as necessary to consider different aspects of this project. This project is in its infancy. Jarman, Simpson and Byrne were added to this committee.

#### Directors report:

We have a sample ballot for the April 13, 1999 election.

The generator at the Community Center is now Y2K compliant. We have informed our insurance carrier that we have satisfied their concerns about the Y2K problem.

Information about our day camp will be released next week.

Concerning the Wiesemeyer Center, the main hall is completed, some work needs to be done in the kitchen and restroom. Neal Plumbing has been contracted to repair the kitchen drains as requested by the Madison County Health Department.

Park equipment preparation has started for the new season.

#### Baseball/Softball report:

About 720 players have been registered to play ball this year. Practice will begin on April 1 and games will begin on May 15.

#### Soccer report:

There will be no spring soccer this year. The final report was turned in.

#### Old business:

Kniser asked the commissioners to consider extending the day camp season because the Triad schools will start after Labor Day this next year. It was explained that we might not be able to get camp counselors available for the later dates.

#### New business:

Greenfield reported about the erosion and water management conference recently attended. The IPARKS legislative conference will be May 4 and 5, but we are waiting for more information.

Our attorneys have sent us a letter concerning the clean air act. His opinion is that we must act to prevent smoking in our

buildings. It was decided to post no smoking signs in the Community Center (Jarman, Woodring 6-0.) This motion was amended to include all park buildings used by the public (Woodring, Byrne 5-0 with Kniser absent from the vote.)

Other business:

Greenfield explained that our insurance covers activities by the Friends of the Park as long as any monies that they earn are listed as being in the parks's name. This is the same as the Soccer and Baseball/Softball leagues are operated.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:46 (Jarman, Simpson 6-0.)