Tri-Township Park District Commissioners Meeting Special Meeting January 26, 2000

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

Roll call:

Present were commissioners Jarman, Kniser, Simpson, Taake, Beck, Byrne and Woodring. Also present were director Greenfield and bookkeeper Roady.

Discussion of Great Skate Development:

Greenfield explained the situation that concerns the Board. An arrangement had been made between the owners of the new Great Skate and the Park Board concerning water retention and run-off. Originally a retention pond was constructed on their property but that has now been turned into an open ditch. As the land is now sloped, all water will flow quickly across their land into the park.

Joe Smith, owner of the Great Skate, addressed the Board and explained that a new retention pond will be constructed behind the building in the near future. His engineer will be meeting with Greenfield to explain how this is to be done. Smith assured the Board that he "will do what it takes to make it right."

Kniser mentioned that the Board has still not received a promised letter from the owners' attorney detailing our previous agreement. Smith said that this will be taken care of this week.

It was agreed by all to let the owners and engineer make their calculations and plans and then consult with Greenfield concerning the project. The planned deadline for this is February 9, 2000.

Discussion of recreation program director position:

Greenfield presented an advertisement and description of the new position. Advertisements are to be placed in local newspapers and posted with the jobs services departments in local colleges.

Discussion of registration fees for the baseball/soccer league:

Some concern was voiced concerning the possibility that children playing in our baseball/softball league may be registering with the St Jacob Park District rather than the Tri-Township Park District in order to pay a lower fee. The league board will monitor the situation and might consider in a future year to exclude St Jacob teams from our league. There will be no changes this year.

Beck had to leave the meeting at 8:17.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 (Woodring, Kniser 6-0).