Tri-Township Park Board Special Meeting Park Board House May. 28, 2002



Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Phil

Roll call: Phil, Terry, Todd, and Randy Absent: Barb, Norm, and Louie

Also in attendance; Tim Greenfield, Randy Thurman, and Don Ballard

Motion to approve May 8 minutes Todd/Randy Aves: 4-0

Phil brought to the board's attention that at the previous meeting, we had discussed and hired Mike Evans as summer help – all without a proper motion.

Motion: Hire Mike Evans as temporary summer help at a rate of \$7.50 per hour and schedule as needed. Todd/Randy Ayes: 4-0

Eagle Scout candidate Ben Kaiser presented a project request to the board. He plans on painting the #1 Pavilion at a cost of \$296.

Motion: Accept the Eagle Scout project and pay for materials up to \$300. Randy/Todd Ayes 4-0

Eagle Scout candidate Ben Roustio presented a project request to the board. He plans on constructing four exercise stations along the walking path at a cost of \$596.

Motion: Accept the Eagle Scout project and pay for materials up to \$600. Locations to be determined by Randy and Tim. Randy/Todd Ayes 4-0

Phil notified the board that a citizen has expressed interest in donating swings to replace the existing ones on the north side of the lake. Tim reminded everyone that we need to check old records to make sure the old swings were not donated.

Phil brought the board up to speed on the status of the Madison County Development Grant. This is a request we have made for up to \$115,000 to make the Weisemeyer center ADA compliant. Madison County has let us know that we stand a much better chance of receiving the grant if we do the engineering work up front.

Motion: Phil to negotiate with Hurst-Roche to provide engineering work on this grant at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Randy/Todd 4-0 Ayes

Phil said that in working with the Senior's to develop this grant, he learned that their number one complaint with the Wiesemeyer Center is noise. The center has hard tile floors that are very conducive to transmitting lots of noise. Phil suggested carpeting on the walls to deaden the noise level somewhat. Phil estimates the entire project could be completed for under \$2,000. The board asked Phil to go out and research a few quotes, including installation, to complete this project.

Baseball/Softball Rainout discussion.

Phil told the board that we need to have a policy on how rainouts on the park ball diamonds would be determined and communicated to the various organizations using the fields.

The month of May has been exceedingly rainy and has resulted in several weekend games being cancelled. These cancellations resulted in numerous phone calls from Select coaches seeking help from the park in getting the fields worked.

TBSL President Randy Thurman and Select Coach Don Ballard joined the board in discussion of this topic. Randy Wiesemeyer said that TBSL/TSC are staples of the park.....why we are here. We need to do everything in our power to keep all these games going.

Randy Thurman noted that we should try to play all games as long as the fields are not torn up or compromised.

All present said that "playability of fields" after a rain was an extremely subjective thing. It would be hard to get a consensus from any group of individuals. Therefore, the two driving factors in making this type of decision would be reasonableness of the decision and the potential for damage to the fields.

Motion: Park policy on Rainouts is as follows:

Tim Greenfield, Park Superintendent, will make determination of playability of fields each afternoon on Monday through Friday. On weekends, Tim will again make this determination. If he is not available, the decision will move to Terry, then Norm, and then Phil. This determination will be applicable to all scheduled games and will be final. Todd/Randy 4-0 Ayes

8:45 PM

Motion to adjourn Randy/Todd 4-0

Respectfully submitted by

Terry Ball, Secretary

Approved