

Tri-Township Park Board Meeting
March Regular Meeting
Park Office
March 14, 2007

7:00 PM Meeting called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

In Attendance: Norm Beck, Terry Ball, Joe Eader, Jim Derby, Mary Kmetz, and Randy Wiesemeyer
Absent: Kevin Woodring

Additions to the Agenda –

Norm asked that we move Eagle Scout Ben Murray and Sesquicentennial Event spokesman Tim Greenfield up to the first thing on the agenda.

Ben Murray – Eagle Scout Project –

Eagle Scout candidate Ben Murray addressed the board and said that he was seeking approval to pour a concrete base for a pavilion in the park. He said that he has already received a \$100 donation from the VFW and was seeking additional donations. The project will be completed between June and August of 2007. Troop 91 will provide scouts and adult supervision to help out.

George said that he highly recommended this project.

Randy asked what the project costs would be.

George said that we were looking at a 20' by 36' pad and this would cost between \$1,000 and \$1,200.

Motion: Go forward with the project not to exceed a cost of \$1,500. Randy/Jim 5-0 Ayes Roll Call vote

Tim Greenfield – Troy Sesquicentennial –

Tim said that planning was underway for the event and the park will be greatly involved. He said that there are crate races scheduled for June 16th and this could possibly be a conflict with TBSL players on that day if they have ball games scheduled. He said that during the July 4th fireworks, they are planning to add back games and entertainment in the park. He asked about permission to sell in the park.

George said that he would coordinate with Tim to avoid duplications of products being sold.

Tim said that July 26 through the 29th, the Sesquicentennial event would tie in and combine with the Homecoming. The traveling Vietnam Wall will arrive on the 26th. He said there will be all day activities on all four days and that he welcomed the TBSL to open and operate their concession stand to provide food and drinks to the folks that would be there. He said that in other venues, the traveling wall has attracted daily crowds of up to 10,000. Shuttle buses will be running. There will be a parade each night. Every evening there will be a 7PM service at the wall.

Randy asked if Tim needed anything from the park other than space to operate.

Tim said nothing at this time.

Norm asked Tim to coordinate his schedules and needs with George going forward and that we look forward to supporting the events.

7:10 Kevin arrives.

Approval of Minutes –

Motion: Approve February 07, 2007 Regular Meeting minutes. Randy/Joe 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote.

Thank you notes/Get Well –

A get well card and flowers were sent to long time park volunteer Betty Rinkel.

A Thank You card was received from the Jarvis Seniors for the free rental of the Wiesemeyer Center for their recent Trivia Night and Silent Auction.

Treasures Report –

\$478,898.

Motion: Accept treasures report. Randy/Kevin 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote.

Pay Bills –

Bills totaling \$5,229.49 were reviewed.

Motion: Pay all bills for \$5,229.49. Randy/Mary 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote.

Letter of Agreement – YMCA of Southwest Illinois –

George shared a copy of the letter from the YMCA for use of the park for the summer day camp.

Motion: Approve letter of agreement. Terry/Joe 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote

Titan's facility Use Agreement –

George presented the board with a facility use agreement for the Troy Titans.

Norm asked Steve Giacoletto if this agreement met with his approval.

Steve said that it was okay for what we were doing.

Motion: Accept Facility Use Agreement as written. Terry/Randy 7-0 Ayes Roll call vote.

Construction involving the extension of Pavilion 14 parking lot –

George presented the board with a letter from the Troy Titans and Titan board president Dave Nonn proposing that the Park District allow the club to pour the concrete around baseball field #4 to include the dugouts, bleacher and concession area. They will provide the initial grade work and labor to complete the project. The park will be responsible for providing all materials, final grade work, and locates. The estimated materials cost would be about \$7,000.

Norm said that the TBSL has already paid for this project and the board has already approved it so it can commence immediately.

George presented the board with a letter from the Troy Titans and Titan board president Dave Nonn proposing that they be allowed to volunteer labor and equipment to construct a new gravel parking lot approximately 135' by 350' which shall be an extension of the existing parking lot near pavilion #14.

Motion: Allow the Troy Titans to volunteer labor and equipment to construct a new gravel parking lot approximately 135' by 350' which shall be an extension of the existing parking lot near pavilion #14 and the park District shall authorize Park Director, George Bryant to supervise the project and purchase construction materials and rental of equipment not to exceed \$22,000.
Joe/Jim 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote

George said that we will start on the concrete at #4 right away and this should take about a week. Once that is completed we will begin work on the parking lot and work full time until completed.

Authorization for the sale of unused park equipment –

George presented a list of seven items that the park owns and no longer uses. He proposes that we sell or auction off.

Motion: Authorize Director to sell this equipment that is no longer useful in an appropriate manner. Terry/Randy 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote

Authorization for submittal of a sealed bid for the purpose of a dump truck –

George said that we are in need of a new dump truck. Jarvis Township Road District has one that is to be sold at bid. F&C out of St. Louis has valued the truck at between \$5,500 and \$6,500. George recommended that if the board was interested in pursuing this, we should authorize him to spend up to \$10,000 and then no one will know what he will actually bid. George said that he would work with both Joe and Kevin to ensure that a proper amount was bid.

Motion: Authorize Park Director George Bryant to submit a bid for a 1989 International single axle dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. Terry/Joe 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote

Award of proposal for aerator –

Norm said that every year we have a large need for aeration. We use the aerator borrowed from the school but always seem to have a conflict when we really need it. We have a conflict because when it is time to aerate, the school is using theirs on their grass. When we get it, it isn't always the time we need it. He said he asked George to get bids on an aerator.

George presented a bid from Erb for the aerator that we want. The price is \$5,400.

Motion: Spend up to \$5,400 for aerator Terry/Jim 5-2 Ayes Roll Call vote Kevin and Mary were the No votes

Park Director Report – George Bryant

George said that in the interest of time he would pass for now.

TBSL – Terry Ball

We have 800 kids signed up as of today. Signups are coming in at a steady rate of four or five day. We have set team numbers and will hold the draft to form the teams on Saturday the 24th.

TSC –

No one from the TSC was in attendance.

Financial – Terry

Nothing to report. George and Terry will be working on putting together next years budget and should have at the next meeting.

Athletics – Norm

Norm said that we have already discussed all of the Titans business earlier.

Insurance – Kevin

Nothing to report.

Grounds – Jim

Park Pavilion #12 consideration for replacement and award of proposal –

Jim said that we have two bids and they are fairly substantial. One is for \$17,130 and the other is for \$24,195. Jim said that based on these estimates he would prefer to keep looking for cheaper alternatives. George said that he would continue to look.

Randy said that he would like George and Jim to look into the possibility of building a deck off the backside of the Wiesemeyer Center. This would go out over the unused triangle area and give the senior's somewhere to drink their coffee on nice days.

Special Events – Mary

Motion: Approve request to waive fees for -

Troy Assembly of God (Easter egg hunt Pavilion #14, March 31, 2007

Triad High School after prom – Pavilion #8

Chamber of commerce business after hours – Wiesemeyer Center – Upper level

Troy Titans Cheer Elite – Wiesemeyer Center – Upper level, April 28, 2007

Mary/Randy 7-0 Ayes Roll Call vote

George reminded the commissioners that we are hosting the COC business after hours in May and it will be a good time and he encouraged all to attend.

Personnel & Safety – Terry

Nothing to report.

Beautification – Randy

Randy said that he and Terry have been working with a local business that is starting up that wants to do some free work in the park to advertise the business. Jim Petersen, weekend park employee, is starting a Border Magic franchise. The company specializes in continuous concrete edging. Jim is willing to install curbing on the entire 32 acres parking lot for the cost of the materials.

Terry said that Jim has told him the parking lot and the two islands are approximately 1,650 feet. His estimate for concrete is approximately \$2 per foot and his estimate for labor that he would have to hire would be approximately \$1 per foot. Total cost would therefore be right at \$5,000.

Jim asked what was meant by a 10 year limited warranty.

Terry said that Jim had told him the warranty was for materials and workmanship and would be for 10 years. If anything cracked or broke he would replace it for free. Obviously, if we had a snowplow hit it with a blade and breaks it that would not be covered under warranty. The concrete is stronger than convention concrete because it uses a dryer mix and is compacted in the extruder.

Randy asked about the glue that holds the curb down.

Terry said that Jim assured him the epoxy was significantly stronger than concrete and the road would break before the glue did.

Joe said that this concerned him, as we were gluing the curbing to an oil and chip base that was not very strong.

After much discussion, the board agreed to have Border Magic put the curbing around the two islands and then spend the rest of the proposed \$5,000 for other jobs around the park.

Motion: Spend up to \$5,000 for materials and labor to have Border Magic install curbs on the two islands on the 32 acres and other projects as decided by George and the rest of the board.

Terry/Randy 5-2 Ayes Roll Call vote. Kevin and Joe were the No votes

8:30 Motion: Adjourn the meeting. Randy/Kevin 7-0 Ayes

Submitted by
Terry Ball, Secretary

