

Tri-Township Park District

Park Board Meeting Minutes

July 13th, 2016 7 PM

Meeting was called to order at 7 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Tim Flint, Toby Mitchell, James Newcombe, Dave Nonn, George Vogt, and Kevin Woodring.

Absent: Bud Adelhardt

Approval of Minutes: Commissioners reviewed June meeting minutes. Commissioner Vogt makes the motion to approve June meeting minutes, Commissioner Woodring seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

People requesting to be on the agenda:

Gabriel Gregson: Gabriel Gregson is a 4 H member and he is working on his public adventure citizenship project and he would like to put a little free library box in the park for the community to enjoy, the books will be donated from the community and Gabriel will check the box frequently to make sure the reading materials are approved and the box has not been vandalized. Commissioners would like to do a 90-day trial in the park to see if the library gets used and to see if there is any vandalism to the library. Commissioner Mitchell makes the motion to put the free little library box in the park for a 90-day trial, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Annette Anderson: Annette comes before the board to ask if the playground with the soft ground covering could be fenced in to help keep older kids off the playground and keep the toddlers in the play area and away from the lake. Annette is willing to ask different companies in the community to donate items to fence the area. Commissioner Flint would like Annette to start working on donations and to keep in contact with him.

Tim Greenfield: Tim Greenfield comes before the board to give an update on the Homecoming activities that will be held in the park July 21st – 23rd. Tim prepared a map of how the Homecoming will be laid out and how parking will be executed for the event.

James Merrill: James Merrill comes before the board to ask permission for use of Pavilion 1 area in the park on Saturday October 22nd from 10 AM to 2 PM for the Celebrate Recovery Event. This event is to help raise awareness on alcohol and drug addiction. James and Gateway Foundation are working on getting guest speakers, the American Red Cross, American Diabetes Association and several other businesses involved. Commissioner Mitchell makes the motion to let James hold the Celebrate for Recovery Event on October 22nd from 10 AM to 2 PM in Pavilion 1, Commissioner Woodring seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Executive Committee:

Secretary/Treasurers report: Commissioners review the Secretary/Treasurer report. Commissioner Mitchell makes the motion to approve the Secretary/Treasurers report, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

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Bills to be approved and paid: Commissioners review the bills to be paid. Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$75,183.61. Commissioner Newcombe seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Natural Gas Line: This is tabled until the August meeting.

Cameras: This will be tabled until the August meeting.

Meadow Park: This will be tabled until the August meeting.

Operations Committee:

Spin City: Bennie reports that the first quarter of the year was really good they had 3,493 skaters that is 1233 more skaters than last year. The rink is currently closed to do the repairs that are needed. August 12th Spin City will re-open.

Going green: Tabled until the August meeting.

Roads and Grounds:

Monument: Commissioner Nonn would like to patch up the monument wall to make it look nice for when the Vietnam wall comes to the park September 9th – 11th. He would like to remove the blocks and restack to get rid of the gaps. Commissioner Nonn has asked the board for \$1000.00 to repair the wall if restacking the blocks do not work and further repairs needs done. Commissioner Mitchell makes the motion to approve Commissioner Nonn to spend \$1000.00 to make the necessary repairs upon Commissioner Nonn's approval, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Tar and Chip: Commissioner Nonn has been working on getting the roads in the park tar and chipped he is looking at the roads being done at the end of July or the beginning of August.

Fireworks: Commissioner Nonn would like to have the fireworks moved for next year further down the south lot. Moving the fireworks will open up 2 parking lots. Commissioners agree and would like to see the fireworks moved.

Athletic Committee:

Baseball/Softball updates: Commissioner Newcombe reports that everything is wrapping up for baseball/softball.

Soccer update: Soccer registrations are coming to a close and teams are being formed.

Grants: Commissioner Newcombe and Ann are looking into a MLB grant to help regrade baseball/softball fields, resurface batting cages and fencing on field 7. Commissioner Newcombe would also like the board to consider use of the PEP grant to do some of the work.

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Maintenance Supervisor: Mark Miller reports that there are a lot of trees down in the park due to the storm that just passed through. Crews will be in clean up mode for the next couple of days and will start to look for damages to any buildings or fences. The new water fountain has been installed behind field 3 and should be up and running sometime next week due to a water main break.

Office Manager: Nothing to report

Consent for approval: Commissioners reviewed the donation requests for pavilions and Community center. Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to approve requests of donations of rentals, Commissioner Nonn seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Comments from citizens not on the agenda: David Roady comments that he also would like to see a fence put around the playground.

Media comments/questions: None

Closed Door Session: Commissioner Nonn makes the motion to go into closed door session for personnel issues 5 ILCS120/2(c)(1) at 8:37 PM, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken 6 Ayes 0 Nays. Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to leave closed door session at 9:03 PM, Commissioner Nonn seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Adjourn: Commissioner Vogt makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM Commissioner Woodring seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.