

Tri-Township Park District
Park Board Meeting
March 10, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. by President Kevin Woodring.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners present: Bud Adelhardt, Norm Beck, Wayne Brendel, Dave Nonn, John Owens, and Kevin Woodring.

There were no communications.

Minutes were presented for the Feb. 10, 2010 meeting.

Motion: To approve the minutes from the February 10, 2010 meeting as presented. Beck/Adelhardt 6 Ayes

People requesting to be on the Agenda: Greg Gassel, Ernie Walker, Ann Byrd, and Chris Hall from the Soccer Club came to the meeting and presented their ideas and desire to maintain the soccer club. They agreed that the Concession stand, referee pay, and financials would be handled through the Park Office. The first registration will be at the Funfest at the elementary school on Sat. April 17, 2010 from 10 until 4 pm.

John Owens presented the Treasurer's report.

Motion: To approve the Treasurer's report. Brendel/Newcombe 6 Ayes

Motion: To approve and pay the bills for March 2010. Brendel/Adelhardt 6 Ayes

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt in the Park on April 3, 2010 beginning at 10:00 AM. It is being hosted by 2 local realtors. It will be held around Pavilion #14. It is free and open to the public. The ladies are asking that people bring a canned food item to be given to the local pantry.

There was no news on the grants at this time.

The Credit Card terminal has been received and will be operational next week. It will accept MasterCard, Discover Card and American Express. VISA will not be accepted as the convenience fee cannot be passed on to the customer. The other 3 cards allow a convenience fee to be passed along to the customer. The Park is paying \$440 for the terminal but there will be no other monthly fees.

There was a discussion about the lawn mower bids. There were several options of mowers including brands, gas or diesel, and mowing deck size.

Motion: To purchase 2 John Deere diesel lawn mowers for a total of \$12,490 after trade in from Nobbe Equipment out of Waterloo, Illinois. One with 5 ft. deck and one with 6 ft deck. Adelhardt/ Nonn 6 Ayes

There was a discussion about vending machines in the park. Board decided that firm proposals were needed before a decision could be made.

The windows at the Park Office have been replaced and the job was completed to satisfaction. Park Office is quieter and windows are definitely cleaner.

The concession stand at Field #4 is almost done. The finishing touches are being done. The plumbing inspection should be completed shortly. It was suggested that authorized personnel only signs be purchased for the concession area. The keys for the concession building should not open the actual concession stand door or windows. The windows and concession stand door should be keyed separately.

Dave Nonn chairman of the grounds and road committee gave updates on the repairs to the roads. Two tons of easy street has been put down to fill in the potholes. He estimated another 3 tons would be needed to finish the job. He also ordered rock for the shoulders. He suggested the speed bumps be re-installed on the roads to help keep the speed down to ensure safety. He had complaints about the condition of the walking trails. He offered to work on roads along with the Park Staff to maintain the road and trails.

He suggested an equipment maintenance board to track necessary maintenance on Park equipment to include oil changes, blade sharpening, and general maintenance.

He suggested keeping a log of the food and amounts of food to feed the petting zoo residents. He suggested taking a pro-active approach to our petting zoo needs such as scheduled vet. visits.

He also suggested a critique box for concerns and compliments. Public, staff, or commissioners could make suggestions without reprisal. Purchase of hand sanitizers was suggested.

Baseball/softball will have the draft in the Park Office on March 20, 2010 starting at 9:00 am. Sign-ups are going well. Practices will begin on March 27 and the games begin on May 8, 2010.

Soccer was discussed at the beginning of the meeting.

Titans will have their sign-ups in May. The fence is being installed around the football field.

There were no comments from citizens.

There were no comments or questions from the media.

Motion: To adjourn.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Submitted by Fran Colter