

Tri-Township Park Minutes
Oct. 16, 2001

*Phil
11/14/01*

Meeting called to order at 6:55 by Phil.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance - Phil, Terry, Randy, Todd

Absent - Louie, Barb, and Norm

Also present - Tim Greenfield and Mike Arnold (Sr. Associate Hurst-Rosche Engineering)

Approve Oct. 10, 2001 minutes Terry/Randy 4-0

Approve Oct. 10, 2001 Executive Session minutes Randy/Terry 4-0

Unseal Executive Session minutes Terry/Todd 4-0

July 25, 2001, Sept. 12, 2001, Sept. 15, 2001,

Sept 22, 2001, Oct. 3, 2001, Oct. 10, 2001

At the Oct. 10th park board meeting, Phil announced to the commissioners that he had talked to Dave Roady about assuming the responsibilities of taking the minutes for the meetings. Dave agreed to reduce his monthly bill by \$25 per month (from \$500 per month to \$475.). At the Oct. 10th meeting the board had failed to make and pass a motion to that affect.

Randy/Todd made the motion that Phil takes the minutes to the meetings and Dave Roady's compensation be lowered by \$25 per month, to \$475.4-0

At the Oct. 10th park board meeting, Randy mentioned he is interested in attending a new commissioners seminar in Collinsville on Saturday, Oct. 27. Todd and Terry also had expressed an interest. At this meeting Phil said he would also plan to attend.

Randy/Todd motioned to send four commissioners to the Oct. 27th conference in Collinsville on Oct. 27. 4-0

The discussion then turned to the engineering contract the park received from Hurst-Rosche (HR). This work is for sewer and water lines coming into the park from Collinsville Road. HR will do a study and recommend one or two bathroom facilities. The contract also provides for engineered bathroom(s).

The commissioners and Tim Greenfield asked a number of questions to Mike Arnold about the contract. Mike agreed that HR, would attend the pre-bid and bid meetings.

Tim Greenfield recommended signing the contract.

Tim left the meeting, to attend to a sick car.

Phil asked if the figure of \$17,900 for this service was negotiable? Mike said it was about as low as they could make it. If we wanted it changed it would have to be approved by Mr. Tom Conner, the President of HR.

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Todd/Terry made the motion to approve the contract. Roll call vote 4-0
Mike Arnold left the meeting.

Phil mentioned to the commissioners that he had talked to the Bank of Edwardsville, Dave Gansner, about refinancing the loan for the 32 acres. Currently the loan is at a rate of 6%. Dave offered to change it to 5%. Currently our payment is \$25,307.54 per year and is payable in November. Dave mentioned that there would be some additional legal fees, but he doesn't know how much. When asked what the new yearly payment would be Dave said a rough calculation would be around \$23,182. There are 17 years left on the existing loan. Phil told the commissioners that based on this information the savings to the park, over the next 17 years would be \$36,125. The commissioners urged Phil to continue the research. Phil told the commissioners that he would like to be able to make a recommendation in the next couple of weeks.

Phil mentioned to the board that the employees were in the process of putting some lights on the ball field by the Lee Leonard building. Phil was told by Craig Harris, Park employee, that some wire had been donated by Mr. Charlie Burcham. Phil asked Todd (Grounds Chair), and Terry Ball (Athletic Chair) if they were aware of this activity. They both replied they had not been advised. Terry commented that the board should approve all new work and these lights would increase our electric bill. Randy suggested that perhaps the previous board had approved this action. Phil was asked to talk to Tim Greenfield about this situation.

The board then discussed the IAPD legal Symposium. At the Oct. 10th meeting the board made the motion to allow Tim Greenfield to attend the meeting. Randy/Terry made the motion to have Phil attend the meeting instead of Tim. 4-0

Phil mentioned to the board that he talked to Mr. Ron Hallberg, Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources, about the Open Land Trust Grant. Randy had requested that Phil research this grant. Ron told Phil that this is a matching grant similar to the OSLAD grant. The grant maximum is \$2 million. The grant is for acquisition of green space. No development would be allowed. No further action is planned.

Phil told the commissioners that during his conversation with Ron Hallberg, Ron had mentioned that Ms. Laura Wise is on the agenda to speak in opposition to our grant request on Thursday, Oct. 18, 2001. Phil took the liberty to write Laura a letter. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Terry/Randy motioned to send Laura the letter 4 - 0.

9:35 Motion to Adjourn Todd/Terry 4-0