

Tri-Township Park Board Meeting
Park Board House
May. 8, 2002

Approved
5/24/02
Phil

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Phil

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

Also in attendance; Tim Greenfield and Dave Roady

Motion to approve Apr. 18 minutes Barb/Terry
Ayes: 3-0 Abstain: Randy

Correspondence –

Received a thank-you note from Friends of the Park for free use of Pavilion #1
Received a letter from Illinois Dept of Unemployment Benefits concerning John Fuesting and Mike Bess.
Received a letter from Key Club of Edwardsville High School requesting use of the park for a yard sale.
Received a request from Joyce Duff to use the #1 pavilion and a big BBQ grill May 30th or 31st for a 5th grade picnic.

Motion: Approve the request. Barb/Randy 4-0 Ayes

Todd arrives at 7:10.

Received a request from Pat Pettus, secretary at the Triad Middle School, for use of the Wiesemeyer Center on June 4th for a going away part for Dale Sauer.

Motion: Approve the request for free use. Terry/Barb 5-0 Ayes

Received a request from Kris Kleeman, Triad physics teacher, for use of the lake for a Cardboard regatta either May 11th or May 19th. A certificate of insurance was provided.

Motion: Approve the request. Randy/Barb 5-0 Ayes

Received a request from the Troy Fire Department requesting use of the #1 pavilion and a softball field on August 25th.

Motion: Approve the request. Terry/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Received the contract for the DCCA grant. We can now access the \$50,000.

Received a contract proposal from Midland Waste.

We currently pay monthly. Phil will investigate the possibility of potential savings by entering into a one or two year contract.

Citizens on the agenda -

The Board recognized two Eagle Scouts in attendance. Phil explained that historically, the Park Board has always recognized the tremendous achievement of accomplishing the rank of Eagle Scout by awarding an engraved pocketknife. Since taking office last May, the new park board had failed to maintain this practice. All scouts who had attained the rank of Eagle Scout during the past year were invited to attend this meeting. John Power and Justin Whittington were recognized and awarded their pocketknives along with a letter, a certificate, and a round of applause.

Dave Roady gave the Treasurer report. **ATTACHED**

Motion to approve Todd/Randy 5-0 Ayes

The bills were reviewed. **ATTACHED**

There was discussion on the \$550 to be paid to Bergman-Taylor for spraying the infields of the ball diamonds. Apparently, after the diamonds were sprayed, rain washed the weed killer and killed a significant amount of grass along the diamonds. Phil has talked to Bergman-Taylor about this unfortunate incident and the possibility of some relief on the bill. Bergman-Taylor did not feel that was a possibility. There was then discussion on not using this company in the future as a result.

Motion: Pay the April bills Todd/Barb 5-0 Ayes

Park Superintendent Report – Tim **ATTACHED**

Motion: Accept Superintendent Report Barb/Todd 7-0 Ayes

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Bunch

Friends of the Park – Darrel Hampstead spoke for FOP. Darrell informed the board that he was no longer treasurer for FOP. He also noted that the organization had elected all new officers. Annie Ratliff is now President. Kay Lanfersieck is now Vice-President. Mary Kmetz is now Secretary. None of the new officers or current FOP members was in attendance.

TBSL Report – Terry. Terry reported that 755 kids had registered to date. Games begin May 13th. Noted that the scoreboard was not working. The electronic controls that power the scoreboard are covered by a five-year warranty. Tim and Phil will take the control electronics to the company in Greenville on Thursday.

TSC Report – No report. Phil said that Steve West had contacted him about an anonymous rumor the TSC had heard saying that the park would not allow soccer games to be played on ball fields. No commissioners in attendance had heard this.

Financial –

Phil said that we had 15 cases of juice that were expired. The juice machine has been in the Wiesemeyer center for two years and has been out of order more than it has not.

Motion: Remove juice machine from Wiesemeyer center. Barb/Terry 5-0 Ayes

The juice will be returned for credit.

Phil reported that the Park had the second highest tax rate reduction in the district. Our reduction was 2.42%. Webpage status – TBSL rosters and schedules are now loaded on the webpage. Rental agreement forms are also online and people are downloading and mailing in with checks. Phil will be exploring the possibility of accepting credit cards in the future.

Mae Grapperhaus sent a letter informing the board that she was pursuing a grant for the 1860's log cabin and that she was requesting a letter of support from the park on the project. Phil also noted that he had reviewed the minutes of meetings for the past year and that the board had never voted to allow the log cabin in the park.

There was much discussion on whether it would be possible to reconstruct the log cabin. The wood appears to be deteriorating very rapidly and the numbers that were marked on the wood for reconstruction purposes have worn off.

Motion: Approve the Troy Historical Society arranging for construction of the log cabin in the park under the following conditions,

- 1) in the location specified by the park board,
- 2) if it can indeed be reassembled,
- 3) And, if it is found to be structurally sound.

Once constructed and placed in the park, the cabin will be owned by the park and maintained by the Troy Historical Society. Terry/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Phil has applied for the local government award.

Madison County Community Development Grant – Phil met with the seniors last Thursday and as a committee they broke the grant request into two items – All ADA items and non-ADA items (Dishwasher and Sunroom). The grant is due 5/17.

Hurst-Rosche status – We received a modified plan from HR that would eliminate the need for \$40,000 worth of 6" water lines and replace this with a water tank behind the bathroom walls in a water closet that would be supported by the existing 2" water lines. There was discussion on the need for the 6" lines. Phil agreed to investigate the possibility of replacing the existing 2" lines with 4" lines that could be extended off the lines coming in the north side of the park. This would eliminate the need of boring the 6" line under the highway on the south side of the park and also eliminate the need for City and EPA permits.

HR is looking for a park OK on the 32-acre plan. Phil requested that the board approve the current design that was approved by the TBSL and the TSC. There was more discussion on the amount of parking needed and supplied by the plan.

Motion: Approve the current plan for the 32 acres. Terry/Todd 5-0 Ayes

The commissioner's plaque is complete. It will be hung in the Wiesemeyer center.

Illinois First Grant -\$50,000. The state is still holding this money. We need to spend this as soon as possible. We have \$45,000 in engineering costs and can find up to \$5,000 in expenses associated with the bunker toilet repair and remodeling. Phil will pursue.

A weeping crap-apple tree was donated by Evelyn Mueller and will be planted near the Veterans Memorial.

5/28/02
Phil

The park has received a donation of nearly \$1,000 from a bequest from the Foucek family. Randy asked that this money be earmarked for park beautification to keep with the wishes of the family.

Motion: Begin a beautification fund to ensure these funds are spent on park beautification. The beautification committee will control distribution of these monies.

Randy/Todd 5-0 Ayes

Summer help Mike Evans will begin working on 5/11.

Marcy Hill has requested that the park plant a Sugar Maple tree near the memorial bench she purchased. Phil will pursue this request.

The budget will be available next month. Barb reminded everyone that we must publish the budget 30 days in advance of approving it. This may necessitate a special meeting in June. Phil will also need the April 1st to March 30th financial numbers from the TBSL and the TSC.

Pat Huck came to visit Phil recently to request a donation of \$200 from the park to the Troy Historical Society to help in the publishing of the Troy History book. In discussion on this topic, Phil noted that he felt the board should not be donating taxpayer dollars to charitable contributions. Terry noted that the park was an integral piece of the history of the city.

Motion: Donate \$200 to the Troy Historical Society. Terry/ Randy 4-1 Ayes. Phil was the no vote.

Phil noted that it had been one year since the current park board had been in office and that we should be proud of all that we had accomplished in that short time.

Athletics – Terry. No report

Insurance – Norm. No report.

Special Events – Barb. Barb working with American Legion and VFW for Memorial Day. St. Jerome's Choir will dedicate park benches. Troy Community band will perform. D.J. Miller will have flag disposal demonstration. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will have flag and wreath presentations. Barb will arrange for helium filled balloons to be released.

Motion: Up to \$50 to be spent on helium balloons. Barb/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Phil will explore the possibility of having the park board operate a hot dog stand for the 4th of July.

Beautification – Randy. Bob Converse and Tim Greenfield are on the committee to look into Park entrance signs. Three more requests have been made for memorial benches. Randy requested that Tim use weed-be-gone at the Wiesemeyer center. Randy reported that a local fish hatchery owed Dr Spencer \$1,400 at his passing at that Dr. Spencer's wife requested they donate that money to the park in fish. Tim will look into this.

Phil stated that we were due to elect officers.

Motion: Wait until all seven commissioners were present. Todd. No second

Motion: Leave all officers the same Barb/Todd After discussion on how we never knew if all board members would be present and how we should always be planning for the future – Barb rescinded her motion.

Motion: Phil – President Barb/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Motion Randy – Vice President 5-0 Ayes

Motion Terry – Secretary 5-0 Ayes

Motion Barb – Treasurer 5-0 Ayes

Motion – Eliminate the PIO position. Randy/Terry 5-0 Ayes

8:55 PM

Motion to adjourn Todd/Randy 5-0

Respectfully submitted by

Terry Ball, Secretary