

Tri-Township Park Board Meeting
Park Board House
July 14, 2004

Approved
8/26/04
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Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Phil

Roll call:

Phil Loethen, Randy Wiesemeyer, Norm Beck, Kevin Woodring, and Jim Derby

Absent: Terry Ball – pre-notified absence, coaching TBSL game. Will be here as soon as possible.

Joe Eader – pre-notified absence, on vacation

NOTE – With Terry's absence, Phil agreed to take the minutes until Terry arrives.

Also in attendance: Tim Greenfield, Bill Beguhn (TSC) and Dave Roady

Tim Greenfield swore Jim Derby in as a new Park Commissioner.

Additions to the agenda –

Phil said we need to add a special request by a Brownie Troop under Special Events, discuss budget changes and internet changes under financial, and a dog drinking fountain after the Skateboard park discussion (also under financial).

Motion: Norm/Randy to add the aforementioned topics. 5-0-0

Phil appointed Jim Derby as Chairman of the Grounds Committee, and Joe Eader as Chairman of Special Events.

Phil discussed the board would need to elect a new treasurer since Doug Brendel had resigned, and Norm had volunteered for the job.

Motion: Randy/Kevin to election Norm as treasurer. 5-0-0

Approval of Minutes –

Motion: Norm/Randy to approve minutes from June 11th, 2004 budget meeting. 4-0-1 Jim Derby abstained

Motion: Norm/Randy to approve minutes from June 28th, 2004 special meeting. 4-0-1 Jim Derby abstained

Citizens on the Agenda –

Doug Brendel – appreciation plaque. Doug was unable to attend the meeting.

Thank-You notes –

The following cards were sent out –

Lions Club thank you for \$3,500 donation to paint the Lee Leonard building

Louie Lundak thank you for two squirrel houses

City of Troy thank you for fireworks in the park

Rachael Kimberlin (get well card)

Friends of the Park – no one in attendance

Correspondence – nothing to report

Treasurer's Report – Dave Roady

ATTACHED

Motion: Norm/Kevin to accept Treasurers report.

Bills were reviewed. **ATTACHED** Tim mentioned another bill from MJ Products for repairing the bunker toilet partitions from vandalism (\$409). This was added to the bill list.

Motion: Kevin/Norm pay all bills totaling \$22,943.82 – 5-0

Park Superintendent Report – Tim **ATTACHED**

Fireproof cabinet – no activity
Water problems by trailers – no activity
Water on field #6 – parking area - no activity
Finish basketball court – dirt around court - completed
Build playground by #8 pavilion – no activity
Dam measurements - no activity
Bandstand – Ready for volunteers to hang steel
Homecoming – This weekend
Fall – electric diamond 3 - no activity
Fall – cut sod on new fields - no activity



Motion: Norm/Randy to accept Superintendents report. 5 - 0

TBSL Report – Terry Ball

No report

TSC Report – Bill Beguhn

Bill reported 686 players signed up. There are four teams less than last year. The coaches clinic is this Saturday, Aug 7 is field day, August 14 is the referee clinic, the first games start Aug. 24. Norm Beck has volunteered to paint the new soccer goals. Bill said that they would also need some additional steel for the new goals, maybe \$1,000 worth.

Phil advised Bill to purchase what they need and bring the bill to the board.

Bill gave Phil a copy of the TSC minutes and financial reports (**ATTACHED**)

Phil told Bill that the TSC should not be planning on playing on diamond 4. That should be reserved for the Titans.

Bill said they may need to use the diamond for a few games.

Randy commented that the TSC will stay on their own lit fields and leave diamond 4 for the Titans.

Financial – Phil

To do list.....

Park Commissioner plaque office - no activity

Year in Review - Complete

Gabion Baskets – discuss under Lake Project, assigned to Jim Derby

Park benches – ordered

Update web page with approved coaches – no activity

Update web page with Jim Derby info - no activity

Land acquisition – closing is next week

Grant for trail on 270 bridge – Phil has contacted the MEPRD and we will be notified when the next round of grants is available

Madison County Grants – completed next in November \$3 per person, Phil said that we could use this money for a new playground on Meadow Drive and a picnic pavilion.

All-Purpose Erectors replace baseball electrical - no activity

7:40 Terry arrives at 7:40

OSLAD –

Need “As Built” picture of the 32 acres for OSLAD. Phil will work with HR to provide this for us.

Need picture of parking in front of CXT bathroom. Bill Beguhn from the TSC said he has a digital camera and will take the photos of the restroom and the associated handicapped parking spaces in front and then email the jpeg's to the park office.

Phil
\$2500

4th of July – Norm, Randy, Terry, Tim, and Roger worked selling hot dogs and water. The sale went very well.

Jeff Hunt Eagle Scout project/Titan's curb effort – Randy said that boulders were coming from Fetters. Norm said that he would continue to try and get a hold of Mike DaCruz about the curb installation and the completion of the project.

Zach Lynn Eagle Scout project – Phil said that Zach and his dad had completed the project and did it on one of the hottest days of the year.

Ryan Fultz Eagle Scout project – numbered signs for the ball fields. No progress to date.

Skateboard discussion – Tim said that the Great Skate wants to sell us their two ramps for \$16,000, which is the price they paid for them. Terry said that he and Randy have a scheduled meeting with the City on the 27th at 7PM.

Terry said that he wants to tell the City that we are proceeding and they need to make a decision relative to their involvement.

Randy asked what size of Skate Park we were considering.

Terry said that he was going to recommend the 80' X 130' design presented by Solo.

Tim said that a lot of kids have been coming into the park asking a lot of questions about when and where relative to the Skateboard Park.

Addition to the agenda – dog drinking fountain – Phil said that he has had two requests for dog drinking stations to be added to drinking fountains in the park. He has found a quote for a pedestal drinking fountain that has a drinking station for a dog and the price is \$2,800. We currently have four remaining fountains left in the park that are not frost-free and have to be removed every winter. Phil said that he would continue to seek cost-effective replacements for these that may also have dog-drinking capabilities.

Addition to the agenda – modifying the budget – Phil said that he has added a line in the budget for the painting of the roof of the #1 pavilion. This will allow him to track projects and their associated costs. The total budget does not change. We received a check for \$600,000 from the bank for the land purchase. This was not anticipated. A line will be added to show this receipt and another line added to show it going back out when we actually purchase the property.

No vandalism in the park and no water leaks.

Athletics – Norm

Norm said that he is working on getting the TBSL, the TSC, and the Titans together to talk about the new pavilion and how we should run the new concession stand.

Norm said that there are three more names to add to the approved coach's list.

Motion: Add Robert Haluch, Kent Lewis, and Michael Mitchell to the accepted list of coaches/volunteers
Kevin/Norm 6-0 Ayes

Phil said that when we approve appointment of board members to the TBSL and the TSC they are forever. He suggested considering limiting approval to two or three years so that people may be more interested in joining and wont feel they are on the hook for life.

The volunteer appreciation dinner is scheduled. This will include the boards of the three athletic organizations, spouses, and various volunteers and friends of the park.

Norm said that he had recently visited the park web page and read the most recent year in review. He said it was awesome and he was proud of all we have accomplished.

Phil asked him if he had reviewed the previous years and he said he had not.

Randy told Norm to review the previous two years as well, he will really be impressed with all that has been accomplished.

Titans building resolution – Norm said that he had met with the TSC board and that if soccer will email him or send a letter telling him the plan is OK, the Titans will get to work on the dirt work and the building.

Insurance - Kevin

Nothing to report on insurance.

Phil asked Kevin if he had completed the insurance inspection status that is currently due.

Kevin said that all they want is for the employees and the commissioners to watch some videos.

Tim said that the employees would be taken care of.

Kevin said that there was no way to require the commissioners to watch them but that we should make the videos available.

Phil asked if Kevin knew when the inspection status reports were due back.

Kevin said no.

Phil asked Kevin if he had any luck in getting the fishing signs for the lake.

Kevin said he was working on it.

Grounds – Jim Derby

Phil gave Jim all the paperwork he had accumulated so far on gabion baskets.

Phil reported that the recommendation from the Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR) for dredging the lake for sport fishing would require an average lake depth of 6 feet. The DNR surveyed the lake and determined that it is currently on 1 ½ feet deep. The lake is 3.1 acres. According to Phil's calculations over 22,000 cubic yards of dirt would have to be moved. Phil also told the commissioners that when you are moving that volume of dirt we could probably expect the EPA to want to test the material for contaminants.

Phil also talked to the group about quotes for replacing the overflow pipes.

Jim presented the board with pictures of some projects he has been involved with in the installation of Gabion baskets. He said that if all we are looking for is a vertical retaining wall for the lake, Gabion baskets are an affective alternative.

Phil said that the board greatly appreciated Jim's expertise being added to the board and this project.

Special Events – Joe Eader (absent)

Phil said that we have a request from a Brownie troop for the Wiesemeyer Center basement on Monday nights but that we cant take action, as it was not on the agenda.

Phil said that we have heard from the Irish WolfHounds organization and they want to run everything out of the #14 pavilion and on the new 32 acres.

Phil said that Kraft Co. from St. Louis had over 500 people in the park at the #14 pavilion last Saturday and they were doing it again this Saturday.



Phil said that the Great Skate is operating a day camp and that the campers routinely are in the park. A child had gotten sick in the #14 pavilion. Phil showed the Day Camp staff how to access the pavilion interior for future use.

Norm said that Roger Gum asked him about adding a speed bump. Cars entering the Park on Riggan road eventually turn east towards the soccer concession. The playground is behind the concession stand. Children could dart out from behind the concession stand. Roger felt that we should slow the cars down and Norm said that he agreed.

Tim said that he would get prices on speed bumps.

Personnel & Safety - Terry

Nothing to report.

Beautification – Randy

Randy asked Norm if he has looked into getting the big flowerpots.

Norm said that he would get them.

8:45 PM Motion: Adjourn to executive session. Norm/Randy 6-0 Ayes

9:00 PM Return from executive session.

9:00PM Motion to adjourn meeting. Norm/Kevin 6-0 Ayes

Respectfully submitted by

Phil Loethen, President
Terry Ball, Secretary

