

Tri-Township Park Board Meeting  
Special Meeting  
Park Office  
April 24, 2005

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8:05 PM Special public meeting called to order.

In Attendance: Phil Loethen, Terry Ball, Randy Wiesemeyer, Jim Derby, and Norm Beck,  
Absent: Joe Eader and Kevin Woodring.

Approval of Minutes -

Motion: Approve minutes from April 13th, 2005 meeting. Norm/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Motion: Approve minutes from April 13th, 2005 executive session Legal – To remain sealed.  
Norm/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Motion: Approve minutes from April 13th, 2005 executive session Personnel – To remain sealed.  
Norm/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Motion: Approve Eagle Scout project for Charles Ward to put memorial benches on concrete pads. Park agrees to spend up to \$400 for material. Norm/Terry 5-0 Ayes

IAPD Commissioner Seminar -

Phil said that he is working on an IAPD seminar for the board where three people from IAPD will come to our office and put on a seminar for the entire board aimed at improving the board. It will be about a three-hour seminar.

Motion: Approve up to \$1,000 for a board development seminar. Norm/Terry 5-0 Ayes

Community Service -

Phil said that a woman who needs to work 1,000 hours of community service has contacted us.

Terry said he has some concerns with this. We have had juveniles with community service sentences of 40 hours work in the park in the past. This is a 1,000-hour sentence and an adult. While I like the idea of free labor, I do not like the idea of babysitting someone fulltime for six months.

Randy asked if we could find out what the crime was that was committed.

Phil said that he would request the paperwork from her on what the charges were so we can make a better-informed decision at the next meeting.

Skateboard Park -

Terry said that he has been approached with an idea relative to skateboarding and tourism. Given that the City donated \$50,000 out of Tourism Tax dollars; perhaps we should consider some type of flyer to be distributed at the local motels and hotels advertising the Skateboard Park. This may prompt additional tourism.

Motion: Approve Girls Scout Troop campout/cookout pavilion #12 for Friday, 5/20. Norm/Terry 5-0 Ayes

Motion: Approve use of the lower level of the Wiesemeyer Center on Friday nights for Brownie Troop #471, from Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2005 through May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Norm/Randy 5-0 Ayes

Great Geese Give Away -

Phil said that the park workers had mentioned to him that Tim has two geese in the petting zoo (male and a female). Tim has said the male is getting aggressive and plans to get rid of it by giving it to his brother.

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Phil noted that one of these geese has been in the park for awhile and the other was donated.

Norm said that this is mating season for geese and all the males are getting very aggressive. It happens the same time every year.

Terry said that all you have to do is go by the lake and watch any of the geese or the ducks and you will see a lot of aggressive behavior.

Phil said that he did not like the idea of a park employee giving away park property to relatives.

Terry said that he strongly agreed with this.

Norm said that only the board could make the decision to give something away. He said that we should keep these geese for now.

Terry asked Phil to talk to Tim and explain that he should never give anything away. If he feels something should be removed, he needs to suggest it to the board and await approval.

Election Results –

We have received the election results from Mark Van Ida.

In the 6 year term –

1,178 votes for Norm. 1,090 votes for Mary. 1,003 votes for Joe. There were over 800 undervotes – one vote cast and not two.

In the 4 year term –

1,044 votes for Jim. 680 votes for Perry. There were over 330 undervotes.

Motion: Approve the vote results. Norm/Jim 5-0 Ayes

The commissioners canvassed the votes and executed all of the documents for the election board and county.

Playground Volunteer Weekend -

Phil said we are planning for the volunteer weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Phil said that Roger, the Gametime installer prefers the method of not digging the playground out and installing and then building a berm around the playground and filling this with mulch. Tim Greenfield prefers that we dig the ground out, build the playground and then fill the hole with mulch.

Norm said that Roger with Gametime does this for a living and he would know the best approach.

Phil said that we will be digging out where the pad for the pavilion is going and this will give us more berm dirt to utilize.

Randy said that we need gravel placed under the pavilion pad before it is poured.

Motion: Follow recommendation of Roger the Gametime installer. Norm/Randy 5-0 Ayes

9:15 Motion: Adjourn to Executive session Personnel/Legal. Norm/Randy 5-0 Ayes

10:15 Reconvene from Executive Sessions

Joe Eader arrived at 9:50 during Executive session.

We will bring the two part-time college students in to work on weekends. One will work Saturday and one will work Sunday. They will be scheduled for 5 hours a day unless there are additional duties drawn up before scheduling that will require 8 hours.

Motion: Post job description of Park Director. Terry/Randy 6-0 ayes

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10:15 Motion: Adjourn the meeting. Norm/Randy 6-0 Ayes

Submitted by  
Terry Ball, Secretary