Tri-Township Park District Park Board Meeting October 14, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Tim Greenfield.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners present: Bud Adelhardt, Norm Beck, Wayne Brendel, Tim Greenfield, John Owens, and Kevin Woodring. Mary Kmetz was not present.

Motion: To approve the minutes from Sept. 14, 2009 meeting with the 3 appropriate changes. Adelhardt/Woodring 3 Ayes and 2 Abstain.

Communication - Thank you card from Tom Milkert for plant. He recently had surgery.

People requesting to be on the agenda: Relay for Life by the American Cancer Society for their event in the Park on June 11-12, 2010. Event was okayed.

Angee Clark-Hellon representing the VFW ladies Auxiliary requesting permission to have a 5 K run/walk to raise money for phone cards for our troops in the war zones.

Motion: To allow the VFW Ladies Auxiliary to host the 5 K walk/run in the Park on April 24, 2010. Beck/Adelhardt 5 Ayes

President Greenfield announced the resignation of Mary Kmetz. David Nonn was appointed to fill her unexpired term by unanimous consent. He was sworn in and seated.

President Greenfield gave a brief review of the Oct. 12, 2009 executive meeting. It was noted that 45% of the revenues have been received from the county. The budget was reviewed as to the status. He mentioned the annual audit and the auditors go through the records of each organization. The executive committee made some suggestions and recommendations to the athletic committee for their review.

President Greenfield gave a brief update on the Child Labor Laws. In September, a letter was received addressed to Shawn Gillam from the Legal Dept. of the III. Labor Board at the Park address. It was forwarded, unopened to Shawn by certified letter from the Park. Our letter was returned unopened by the Post Office. Mr. Gillam stated that he did not accept the letter. The Park District returned the letter, unopened to Tammy Miners by overnight mail. On advice from Ms. Miners, the Park District is out of the loop with the Illinois Dept. of Labor and the Dept. of Labor will deal with TBSL directly.

After a lively discussion about the situation with the Dept. of labor, President Greenfield said the Park District was committed to having baseball and softball in the Park for 2010 and the Board would work with the TBSL to ensure that baseball/softball would continue in the Park.

Secretary/Treasurer, John Owens then presented the Treasurer's report for September 2009.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report for September 2009. Woodring/Adelhardt 6 Ayes

Motion: To approve and pay the bills as presented for October 2009 Woodring/Adelhardt 6 Ayes

The minutes from the 10-12-09 Operations Committee Meeting were presented by John Owens. It was the committee's recommendations that the base paths would become uniform on some diamonds. This way diamonds would be accessible to softball and baseball games. The softball teams could play on more than just 2 diamonds. These recommendations will be taken under advisement by the Athletic Committee.

The board was presented with a list of all employees and rates of pay.

The new playground was discussed. Tom Milkert, site supervisor will be contacting the playground supplier to set up a timeframe for onsite consultation. The pavers for the sidewalks/ramps to the bridge have been ordered. The Lions Club and Friends of the Park will be paying for the pavers. Currently the wall is being finished and the sidewalks/ramps are being designed.

There will be an electronic waste collection on Oct. 17, 2009 in Bethalto.

Under athletics, re-keying the concession for Diamond 4 was discussed. For 2010, no one under 16 will work in the concession stands.

Ernie Walker reported TSC will wrap up their season on Oct. 24. They will have a tent at the fields and use Pav. #1 to host their season end party. The co-ed high school teams did well. No major problems. The parents of the 12-13 year olds stayed around when their children were refereeing. That went smoothly. There was some vandalism to the small goals. Someone was stacking all the small goals together and TSC was re-assembling the goals each time. Fields 17 & 18 are very rough.

Titans are about half way through their season. The week of Thanksgiving will be the last for football. They are still planning to install the fence.

There were no questions from the media.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Woodring/Beck 6 Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Submitted by Fran Colter