Tri-Township Park District Park Board Meeting July 10, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Kevin Woodring, Park President.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners present: Bud Adelhardt, Jessica Dudley, Tim Flint, James Newcombe, George Vogt, and Kevin Woodring Commissioners Absent: Dave Nonn

Motion made to approve minutes of June 12, 2013 meeting: Newcombe/Adelhardt 6 Ayes/0 Nays

People requesting to be on the agenda:

- 1. Daniel Jackson, Home Coming 2013 update The home coming will start in 2 weeks, set-up will start July 22, and the family night will start on July 25. They Lion's Club will have recycling boxes on site during the event. There will be cleanup crews each night, Saturday night a clean-up crew will be there to break things down and finish the cleanup on Sunday. Advance ride tickets will be on sale in the park office this week and at other businesses in town.
- 2. Cheryl Coffey Issue of closing of the Petting Zoo: Mrs. Coffey wanted to discuss the petting zoo in the park. She is concerned about the board removing the petting zoo from the park. Mrs. Coffey wanted the board to know that there are many people in the community that support keeping the petting zoo. The board assured Mrs. Coffey that there are no plans to eliminate the petting zoo. That this issue was brought up during the election of the board of commissioners and the board wanted to address this issue to see what the community wanted for the park. The board knows that the petting zoo is the most popular site in the park.

Executive Committee –

Secretary/Treasure's Report and Bills: Motion to approve Park/Spin City Treasures Report: Adelhardt/Newcombe – Roll call vote - 6 Ayes/0 Nays

Bills to be paid in July 2013: Motion made to approve the paying of June 2013 bills: Newcombe/Adelhardt – Roll call vote - 6 Ayes/0 Nays

Spin City Update – customer appreciation day/everyone skate free will be Friday July 12, 5-7pm, 7-10pm. Spin City is getting closer to having the kids skate free program and hope to have more information on this at the next meeting. Spin City was closed during the 4th July week making updates, painting bathroom/kitchen floors, making general repairs, and over all cleaning of the facility. The roller derby team is currently at the rink tonight and they have doubled in size and looking forward to having events at the rink soon. Mr. Flint is looking at updating the outside of the rink building with signage identifying Spin City Skating Rink. When they have some drawings, Bennie Parr will bring them before the board. The board discussed the possibility of having Spin City open on the 4th of July to take advantage of the crowds in the park. Discuss New Park Attorney – There will be more on this next month.

Operations Committee – Nothing at this time

Roads and Grounds – The schedule for the road work is on schedule, they are waiting on the paving machine to give us a firm date.

Athletic Committee – Baseball/softball the weather has made play difficult, some of the coaches are concerned with making up some of the rained out games. The missed games will be made up as they can be, a lot will depend on the weather. There have been some major problems with several fields this year holding water making them unplayable. The athletic committee will be looking into purchasing several portable pitching mounds that are 3 piece mounts that can be moved by one person that so they are easy to move. With these mounds it would make more of the fields available for a wider age range on more fields. Soccer registration is rolling, they will be signing up referees soon, and the uniforms have been ordered.

Archery – someone called to ask about coming into the park to use the soccer kick board as a back drop to set-up a target in front of for practice. Mr. Newcombe explained that the person was told that at this point the park does not have an area set up for archery, that it is too dangerous currently. The board stated that they will look into having an area for archery at some point in the future.

Maintenance Supervisor/Office Manager:

Maintenance Supervisor – The 4th of July was a success there was a record number of people in the park. There were a few problems with people bringing their own fireworks but we can't control that. There was a lighting strike to a large maple tree close to field #3 and the road, the lighting blew the bark off the tree and split the trunk in several places. The tree will have to come down very quickly because of the location.

The ad was placed for closed bids on the backhoe piece of equipment and we have received only one bid.

Office Manager - Written Communications/Thank You cards/Letters:

- 1. Thank you Card George Vogt Family
- 2. Josh Hunt Thank you letter

3. Pack's #91/226 Boat Regatta Monday Night in August – Toby Mitchell Approved as .long as they have the correct safety equipment Newcombe/Flint 6 ayes/0 Nays

Comments from Community not on the agenda/before 9pm – None

Media Comments/Questions:

Is there an estimate on the number of people in the park for the 4^{th} of July? Maintenance guessed that there were about 4 thousand persons in the park on the 4^{th} of July.

Closed session – for employee issues: None

Motion to adjourn at: 7:45pm

Newcombe/Adelhardt 6 Ayes/0Nays