# Tri-Township Park District Park Board Meeting Minutes September 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call**: Bud Adelhardt, Steve Barbour, Toby Mitchell, James Newcombe, Dave Nonn, George Vogt, and Kevin Woodring.

### Absent: None

**Approval of Minutes**: Commissioners reviewed August meeting minutes. Commissioner Newcombe makes the motion to approve August meeting minutes, Commissioner Woodring seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

### People requesting to be on the agenda:

**Joe Benker:** Joe comes before the Board to see if there is any interest in putting a splash pad in the park, Joe has done some research and has put together some fundraising ideas to help fund the project and he has also spoke to the Mayor and the City also has some interest in the project. Commissioners would like to add a splash pad, but financing would be an issue and they would not want to burden the tax payers. Commissioners ask if Joe would be interested in heading up Friends of the Park to raise money for the project and he is going to look into it and see if he can get others on board.

Commissioners would also like Joe to send the information that he has gathered so far, so they can take a look at the project.

## Executive Committee:

**Secretary/Treasurers report**: Sandy Pensoneau reports that Tax dollars are coming in and we have received about one third of what we had levied. Next tax deposit with be this Friday and September 26th. Enterprise fund expenses were more than income coming in.

**Bills to be approved and paid**: Commissioners review the bills to be paid, Sandy Pensoneau reports that bills are high this month due to \$42,000.00 in grant work that was completed, \$28000.00 in Select soccer fees and uniforms, and soccer equipment. Commissioner Newcombe makes the motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$105,745.59, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

**Assessment of Operations:** Commissioner Nonn asks the board if they would be willing to move operations to the weekly staff meeting since the Activity Center has become an all-purpose facility and decisions need to be made quickly and cannot wait for the monthly meeting. Commissioner Newcombe makes the motion to move Operations to the weekly staff meeting, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

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Activity Center: Sandy Pensoneau asks the Board if they would care if we moved the Activity Center into the parks budget instead of having 2 separate entities. Commissioners ask if the activity center would still have the same reporting as it does now. Commissioner Newcombe makes the motion to move the Activity Center to the park budget, Commissioner Adelhardt seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

## **Operations Committee:**

**Spin City:** Sandy Pensoneau reports that the Activity Center will hold skating sessions Friday – Sunday, Back to School skate on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, an end of season soccer skate on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, and September Sundays will be half off admissions. Ann and Jessica will hold Camp on holidays that the kids are out of school. Commissioner Mitchell would like all projects being done in the Activity Center to be brought before the Board and voted on, Commissioner Mitchell would like the painting of the inside of the building to be voted on. Commissioner Vogt makes the motion to paint the inside of the Activity Center, Commissioner Newcombe seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 1 Nays Toby Mitchell.

**Roads and Grounds:** Commissioner Nonn met with the Mayor at the Activity Center about the new parking lot the city put in, there were several elements that were on the plans that were not incorporated into the final project. Commissioner Nonn asks the Board if they would prefer table top cross walk speed barrier or just regular speed bumps by the Activity Center. Commissioner Mitchell makes the motion to require the City to put in table top crosswalk by the Activity Center, Commissioner Barbour seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

Commissioner Nonn lets the Board know that tar and chipping on the new parking lot will start Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> and the lot will be blocked off for this. This will end the grant work for the year. Commissioner Nonn suggests that we pay the tar and chip bill when it comes in, so we can collect the grant money. Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to pay the tar and chip bill when it comes in as long as the job is completed satisfactorily, Commissioner Mitchell seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

**Athletic Committee:** Commissioner Newcombe reports that soccer and sand volleyball is going well, and Jessica is doing a fantastic job starting new programs in the park. Commissioner Newcombe has the Maintenance dept. getting ready to put Turfus on field # 4 and start looking into doing field 7 as well.

**Maintenance Supervisor:** EJ Rahar reports that the maintenance dept. has fixed the area between FCB and the Activity Center by tearing out the old railroad ties and replacing with landscape rock. Maintenance crews have also power washed and painted pavilion 1 to match the Lions Club Building. EJ also reports that Nick Thompson is doing an Eagle Scout project in the park by replacing the big bridge and he has started work on that. Maintenance crews will continue to work on storage bins behind the shop, replace a collapsed sewer line, and tear out the room in back of the maintenance shed so they ca put all equipment in the shed.

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**Office Manager**: Sandy Pensoneau reports that she is working on putting together Adventure Night. Started a few new programs karate and yoga, we will try these for a few months to see how they do. Sand Volleyball is off and running we had 3 teams sign up hopefully next year it will take off. Best Vending will end their contract with us this year they are not making enough profit to stay so we will be taking over the machines in the Spring.

**Consent for approval:** Commissioners look over the consent for approvals, Commissioner Vogt makes the motion to approve the donation requests, Commissioner Woodring seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.

#### Comments from citizens not on the agenda: None

Media comments/questions: When will putting the Turfus on the fields happen?

#### **Closed Door Session: None**

**Adjourn:** Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 7 Ayes 0 Nays.