Tri-Township Park District Park Board Meeting Minutes April 10th, 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, Dave Nonn, George Vogt, and Kevin Woodring joined meeting at 7:22pm.

Absent: James Newcombe.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioners reviewed March meeting minutes. Commissioner Vogt makes the motion to approve March meeting minutes, Commissioner Adelhardt seconds the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

People requesting to be on the agenda:

Tim Greenfield: Tim Greenfield committee for the Veterans Memorial gave an update on the memorial to the Commissioners. Mr. Greenfield informed the Commissioners that no work on the Memorial will start until all funds have been raised by the Committee, and they have plenty of volunteers to help with the project. Mr. Greenfield also asks for approval from the board to let Len Suess work on creating the foundation for the park. Commissioner Vogt makes the motion for Len Suess to work on creating a foundation for the park, Commissioner Mitchell seconds the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Lion's Club: Patrick Smith from the Lions Club requests use of the park to hold their Harvest Festival in place of Homecoming. The event will include a car show, fishing derby, food, inflatables, and the fire dept. will do a maze. The event will be held on September 27th. Commissioner Mitchell makes the motion to approve the lions club to hold their event in the park, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Splash Pad: Mayor Adomite approaches the Board to discuss a proposal on placing a splash pad in the park. Mayor Adomite presented the Board with a slide show of the proposal and talked about funding for the project, money will come from the TIF fund, hotel/motel tax, and the MEPRD grant. Overall project will be around 1.5 Million. Commissioner Mitchell makes a motion to continue talks with the City over the project, Commissioner Barbour seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Partners for Pets: Tammy Abbett from Partners for Pets asks permission from the Board to hold their annual Howloween event in the park on October 12th, they would like to use the same areas the the year before. Commissioner Adelhardt makes the motion for Partners for pets to hold their event in the park on Oct. 12th, Commissioner Mitchell seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

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Executive Committee:

Secretary/Treasurers report: Sandy Pensoneau reports that the end of the fiscal year numbers look good and we came in under budget. Park brought in over 1.4 million in revenue and paid out over 1.2 million in expenses for the year. Sandy is currently looking to set up a time to set up a budget meeting for the new fiscal year. Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to approve the Secretary/Treasurers report, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Bills to be approved and paid: Commissioners review the bills to be paid, Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$28179.17, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. Roll call vote was taken 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Operations Committee:

Activity Center: Activity Center is busy every night, Craft fair and yard sale on April 6th went well, Next event in the Activity Center will be the Nerf War night on April 27th.

Roads and Grounds: Commissioner Nonn reports that the Engineer hired to look at the retention ponds will have plans ready so the project can begin soon. Tar and chipping will begin this summer, and Maintenance crews will continue to seed the turf and keeping it looking nice.

Athletic Committee: Commissioner Vogt reports that registrations for Baseball/softball have ended and we are up in numbers. Practices have started and games will start in May.

Maintenance Supervisor: EJ Rahar reports that Maintenance crews have prepped all baseball fields and refreshed signage and foul poles with paint. Maintenance crews have also built a new foot bridge on Riggin Rd. and have placed fountains in the lake, and they are working great. Landscaping in the back of the office has been completed and several grills in the park have been replaced. EJ also reports that the USDA inspector has been out, and everything looks good in the petting zoo. Jim Smith reports that they have ordered 2200 flowers from Strackeljahns and they will be planted after Easter.

Office Manager: Sandy Pensoneau reports that Easter Egg Hunt is on April 13th from 1-3 and we should have great weather for this. Sandy is currently working on Appropriations Ordinance and new budget; these will be due by the June meeting and voted on and filed by the end of June.

Consent for approval: Commissioner Woodring makes the motion to approve the consent for approval items, Commissioner Vogt seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.

Comments from citizens not on the agenda: Sarah Bozarth from the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention would like to host a walk in the park on September 14th to raise awareness of Suicide. Commissioners would like to see the event application and have them come back for approval.

Media comments/questions: None

Closed Door Session: None

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Adjourn: Commissioner Vogt makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM, Commissioner Mitchell seconds the motion. 6 Ayes 0 Nays.