

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-Township Park District Board of Commissioners was convened at the Sr. Citizen Center at 7:30 P.M. on October 12, 1989 with president Russell Wiesemeyer presiding. In addition to the president, Commissioners answering present at the roll call were Converse, Greenfield, Italiano, Loyet, and Taake.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was read. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report was made by Commissioner Italiano, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield and carried. The Board directed that \$13,500. be transferred to the Multi Purpose Building Fund. The bills were read. Motion to pay bills was made by Commissioner Converse, seconded by Commissioner Italiano and carried.

Commissioner Wiesemeyer reported that he was unable to

contact Mr. Meier by telephone regarding discontinuance of farming the southwest corner of the park. A registered letter was mailed to Mr. Meier advising of the Board's decision and stating that if no reply was received from him to the contrary the Board would assume that he is in agreement with the Board's decision. Receipt was confirmed but no reply has been received.

Commissioners Taake and Greenfield looked at new tractors. They suggested that the Board consider the John Deere 24 Horsepower 855 or the John Deere 38 Horsepower 870 tractor. Commissioner Greenfield reviewed the features of the 870 tractor and showed pictures of the larger tractor which has larger tires, wider cut, 3 speeds and is \$1100 cheaper than the 855 because it has no hydrostat. Motion was made by Commissioner Italiano, seconded by Commissioner Loyet and carried to authorize Commissioner Greenfield to prepare the specifications for bids from three different John Deere dealers to be presented at the November meeting. Commissioner Greenfield explained that 2 to 5 year lease options are available, which could be tailored to the annual

budget. He will obtain quotes on 2, 3, and 5 year lease options and on an outright purchase. Commissioner Converse suggested that a tiller be purchased for the tractor. Commissioner Greenfield stated that he will also get pricing on the tiller.

Commissioner Converse reported that the dugout roofs are in place. Forty new concrete blocks were set in with

concrete. The roofs will be painted with silver roofcoating.

Commissioner Loyet asked what size fish he should obtain for restocking the lake. The Board agreed that 250 each of 6-8" Bass and 10" Catfish would be agreeable.

Commissioner Wieseemeyer reported that plans for enlarging the parking lot are on hold. Money should be received soon from Community Development through the JTSC.

Commissioner Greenfield presented three different plans for the multi purpose building. The Board preferred the plans which provided a 210' X 186' building with 4 courts adaptable for basketball or volleyball. Commissioner Greenfield will draw the plans to scale for presentation at the next meeting. Commissioner Greenfield is hoping for acquisition of bids in January 1990 and breaking ground for the building in Spring of 1990.

Perry Conour made the following report:

Lights on ball diamond not working. Commissioner Converse will have Mike S. make the repairs.

Lights on the tennis courts not working. Abel is waiting for parts on the ball diamond lights. Commissioner Wieseemeyer will have Abel repair the tennis court lights when he repairs the ball diamond lights.

Problem with lights in the latrine. Commissioner Converse will have Mike S. make repairs.

Pavillion lighting seems to be effected by weather conditions. Commissioner Wieseemeyer suggested that this may be connected with changes in wiring for the homecoming. He will ask Alert to trace the problem.

Commissioner Wieseemeyer referred to Perry a call from Granite City Steel Personnel Dept. about booking the pavillion for October 14. Since the pavillion is already in use for that date G.C. Steel asked if they could use the large shelter near the pavillion and take tables out of the pavillion to accomodate approximately 125 people. After clearing removal of the tables with the pavillion user, the Board agreed to the removal of the tables as long as they are returned. The Board also asked that G.C. Steel be cautioned that the shelters cannot be reserved - that they are available on a first come first served basis. Mike S. will be asked to put extra trash barrels at the pavillion.

Two people were arrested at 1:30 A.M. for criminal trespass of public property.

Acquisition of a pay phone in the park was abandoned .

Due to excess legal fees in the prior year Commissioner Wieseemeyer will ask Attorney Cain if he will work for an hourly fee instead of a retainer and if so what the hourly fee will be.

The retirement party for Andrew Semanisin has been postponed until his health improves. As soon as Andy gives an available date, Commissioner Wieseemeyer suggested that ex Commissioners Oscar Gindler and Milton Langenwalter and wives

also be invited in addition to Andy's two sons and their wives.

Commissioner Wiesemeyer has once again called Bob Lemp of Gametime about those bleachers sent away for repair which have not been returned. No reply has been received.

After a discussion about the park closing date and calls from the public about walking in the park after the closing date, motion was made by Commissioner Greenfield, seconded by Commissioner Taake and carried to close the park on November 19 and change the closing sign to read "Closed to vehicle traffic only". The motion also included moving the portable restrooms to the playground area for the winter months. Motion was made by Commissioner Greenfield, seconded by Commissioner Converse to authorize Commissioner Taake to have new signs made.

The Board agreed that the restroom remodeling should be postponed until Spring.

Rekeying the locks has not been accomplished.

Commissioner Converse presented his plan to correct the drainage problem at the northwest corner of the park. Motion was made by Commissioner Greenfield, seconded by Commissioner Italiano and carried to go ahead with the drainage correction on the northwest corner. The drainage problem at the tennis court should be put on hold until further notice.

Although Commissioner Wiesemeyer had asked for an estimate only on vulcanizing the tractor tire, the repairman vulcanized the tire at a cost of \$60. However the repairer said that the Park would not be obligated under the circumstances. Commissioner Loyet suggested that it would be well to put a good tire on the tractor for better resale value. The Board agreed to take the tire.

Commissioner Wiesemeyer received a call from a Cub Scout who asked to concrete a sidewalk from the pavillion to the shelter for handicapped for a project. Since there would be no cost to the District and after checking with Commissioner Greenfield, Commissioner Wiesemeyer agreed to the project. However when the project was presented to Architect Thompson he stated that there were state specifications which would have to be recognized, which made the project too expensive.

Commissioner Converse reported on the seminar which he

attended.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taake, seconded by Commissioner Italiano and carried to purchase stones at \$10.00 each to be placed at the ends of the speed bumps.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taake, seconded by Commissioner Loyet and carried

to change the meeting starting time to 7:00 P.M.

Picnic tables on the south side of the lake are being