

MINUTES - JOINT MEETING - JARVIS TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZENS AND TRI-TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A special meeting of Jarvis Township Senior Citizens was convened at the Community Center on 8/11/94 at 7:30 P.M. with President Harold Gindler presiding. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Pastor Walters. In attendance were Tri-Township Park District Board of Commissioners Eberhart, Greenfield, Italiano, Loyet, Suter, Taake and Wiesemeyer. The purpose of the meeting was to review the present agreement between the JTSC and the TTPD Board for the JTSC use of the Community Center. H. Gindler briefly addressed the original agreement with the TTPD, which provided a 20 year lease (with approximately 7 years remaining) and an option to renew.

In response to request for a review of the current situation with the Center Commissioner Greenfield described the forerunning discussions prior to the construction of the Center, the advising of the District by Council that the building did not present a problem (being built on District land) and at present the District is now considered in violation of National Park Laws which prohibit the construction of a building on Federally funded land which is not controlled by the District and which is not compatible with outdoor recreation. The present situation has contributed to disallowance of grants to the TTPD and placed the District in the position of being one of two Districts in the State in noncompliance with the law, not to mention constant harassment from the Conservation Department to correct the situation.

The JTSC then reviewed their files which includes:

1. A verbal agreement which agreed to allow construction of the building on TTPD land.
2. The second agreement in November 1981 - Jarvis Township turned it's rights over to the JTSC and provided the 20 year lease.

The JTSC president stated that they are now ready to work out an agreement compatible to both the JTSC and the TTPD which meets the needs of the people of the Community. However, they have prepared a list of circumstances on which they need clarification and/or assurance. They are as follows:

1. They wish to keep their JTSC office in the Community Center and to secure their furniture/equipment and files therein under lock when they are not using the Center. The TTPD Board agreed. This will preclude any unauthorized use of the copy machine which will remain the property of the JTSC.
2. Assurance requested that there will be no rental charge. The Board stated that the intent is to set up a schedule - monthly/annually. Under law the District can make no

agreements for more than 3 years without renewal of the contract. However, scheduling is necessary in order to properly administer the scheduling of other rentals. Previous commitments by the JTSC on rentals will be honored by the District and there will be no charge to the JTSC. Rental receipts received on JTSC commitments made previous to final agreement and filled after the final agreement will be discussed later.

3. The alarm will be moved outside.
4. To the question on keys to the building, the TTPD Board replied that only the Board and JTSC will have keys to the building. Only the JTSC will have a key to the JTSC office and to the kitchen cabinets wherein the china, silverware, and supplies used by the JTSC can be stored under lock. Only the stoves, countertop and sinks will be available with rentals.
5. The furniture and equipment outside the office will be considered the same as building for purposes of insurance, maintenance and replacement.
6. Insurance. Insurance on building and contents rests with the District. Although it is not expected that the JTSC Bingo activity can be covered, TTPD Insurance Committee Chairman will get verification from the District Insurance Carrier. JTSC will probably have to carry their own policy on Bingo and provide a certificate of insurance to the District.
7. Can the JTSC keep an encased flag. No problem.
8. Various plaques on the walls. There will be no change in wall hangings.
9. Question on the sign on building. The sign will have to be changed. Possible lettering "Tri-Township Park District Community Center - Home of the Jarvis Township Senior Citizens". Since the original sign was donated in memory of Al LeBegue, former director, the Board will discuss a possible "In Memory" addition with the family.
10. Question on the flagpole. The Board has been in touch with the fact that the flagpole in memory of Willard Maden must be re-installed. Again the Board will talk with the family.
11. The bingo card bin can remain as is.
12. Any damage must be reported immediately to the Board
13. Custodial duties will rest with the District.
14. The JTSC quilt can be treated the same as in the past.
15. At the JTSC members suggestion for policing the building, the Board replied that this would be a Board responsibility.
16. On the question concerning the JTSC regular evening meetings, the Board replied that they also must be scheduled just like the daily use schedule.
17. Concerning the ownership of the building, the Board replied that the District owns the building.

Pastor Walters, Abundant Blessings Church, which rents the building on Sundays, requested direction from the Board. The

Board replied that previous arrangements with the JTSC would be honored by the Board, however the Board requested that he meet with them for the purpose of scheduling.

The issue concerning communications with the Park Supt. was discussed. The Board replied that the Superintendent's responsibilities include only the maintenance of the building. The JTSC concern with the Superintendent have been previously resolved. A special committee from the Board will be appointed, copy of which will be provided to the JTSC for reference should there be any unresolved circumstance evolve. A JTSC representative was invited to attend TTPD meetings to address any concerns not handled otherwise.

Commissioner Greenfield requested any help the JTSC could provide on expenses for the building for inclusion in the forthcoming tax levy.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.



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