

MINUTES -TRI-TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

The regular monthly meeting of the Tri-Township Park District Board of Commissioners was convened at the Community Center at 7:30 P.M. on May 11, 1994 with president Russell Wiesemeyer presiding. Commissioners answering present to the roll call in addition to the president were Eberhart, Greenfield, Italiano, Loyet, Greenfield, Suter and Taake. Supt. Converse was also present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report and the bills were reviewed. Motion was seconded and carried to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills.

A letter was read from the Troy Lions Club requesting permission to use the Park on July 22 and 23 for the Troy Homecoming. All prerequisites were recognized and documentation will be provided within the next 90 days. Motion was seconded and carried to grant permission as requested.

Tracy Taake appeared before the Board to follow up on the JAYCEE sponsored Circus held in the park on the previous weekend. Commissioner Greenfield stated that for the second successive year there were no JAYCEE members present when the circus came in to set up. Consequently they started to set up in the wrong location. Tracy apologized saying that someone was designated to meet the circus upon arrival and that he would investigate the matter and see that it doesn't happen again.

Taake also requested special electrical modifications for the VFW cooking trailer to be used at the 4th of July Picnic. Commissioners Greenfield and Taake agreed to review the alternatives and assure that sufficient power will be available for the trailer by the 4th of July. In regard to hand washing stations offered by Taake for the event, the Board advised that washing facilities will be available in the outside latrines by the 4th.

Kenny Sipes from the Baseball and Softball Club presented the monthly report from that organization. All comments and requests were noted.

Following a discussion on the completion of the automatic generator switch system installation in the Community Center, it was agreed that the switch should be set to go on at 10:00 A.M. each Thursday.

The Superintendent's report was reviewed:

1. Status of ADP improvements was noted.

2. The playground area which was unnecessarily dug out will be reseeded by the contractor at no cost.
3. Discussion on the northwest entrance. Bob Obernuefemann has volunteered to scarify the asphalt which was dug out by the northwest gate, blade off the seven acres and level the dirt at the Shadwich property. The Park Work force will move the walking path a few feet ato the west. Motion was seconded and carried to employ Scott Schmidt to clean out the field tile and the drainage ditch behind the Shadwick property, fill in the cistern and spread the dirt. Commissioner Taake volunteered the use of his tractor. The special construction committee will investigate the possibility of using/buying an obsolete piece of equipment from the City which could be used for land modification and ball diamond preparation.
4. Superintendent's request to purchase a power grounds vacuum was not accepted until further price checking and a possible demonstration can be arranged.
5. Insufficient funds of around \$1,000. on the ADF grant to provide drains under the playground area near the Community Center. The Board agreed to put project on hold.
6. Motion was seconded and carried to set up the playground equipment donated by the Bank of Edwardsville over a bed of chips.
7. Motion was seconded and carried to authorize the purchase and shipping of 300 railroad ties from the Terminal Railroad at \$2.00 each.
8. On the amendment of the Ordinance for Park Use, paragraph #3.1 the insurance committee will ascertain the minimum liability insurance requirement for activities using the Park and determine if the District must enforce the \$2 million requirement, which is the amount covered by District Insurance, or if there can be some deviation within the IPARK ground rules for activities with lesser exposure and safety factors. Subsequently, Commissioner Greenfield will make the amendment to the Ordinance and present at the next meeting.

Motion was seconded and carried to accept the offer from Joe Lanahan of three pitching machines, elevator and batting machines for \$4,000. Lanahan also offered his services to erect the equipment.

In order to avoid unnecessary misunderstandings, Commissioner Greenfield stated that any authorization or privilege which a Commissioner approves should immediately be relayed to the Supt.

The only bid received on the 1963 Truck was in the amount of \$377.99 from Mearl Greenberg. Motion was seconded and carried to reject the bid. The Board agreed to reconvene the meeting at 7:30 on May 16th for the purpose of approving the 1994-1995 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. At that time

bids for the truck will again be considered. Bidder will be notified in the event he wishes to place another bid.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 P.M.

Meeting reconved at 7:30 P.M. on May 16, 1994.

Motion was seconded to accept the bid from Mearl Greenberg in the amount of \$377.99 for the 1963 truck. All Commissioners answered affirmatively to a roll call vote.

Commissioner Greenfield presented the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance which had been publicly displayed for 30 days. Motion was seconded to accept the 1994-1995 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance with minor adjustments to conform with information received from the County Clerk's Office. All Commissioners answered affirmatively to a roll call vote.

Discussion followed on maintenance of ball diamonds. At the suggestion of Commissioner Eberhart, motion as seconded and carried to hire Ian Murray to work 4 hours each day when games are played, 6 days per week at \$5.00 per hour to assist in lining and preparing the diamonds for play during the playing season.

Further discussion ensued on the northwest entrance. It is the concensus of Board members that this entrance could become as strategic as the main entrance and therefore should be given extra emphasis. Therefore pursuant to proposal, motion was seconded and carried to take out the asphalt at that entrance, form and pour a concrete slab 300' X 24' with an expected cost of \$10,000. for equipment and material. The \$10,000. estimate is based upon expected volunteer labor from organizations which use the Park for their activities. The project should be completed by July 4th.

Commissioner Greenfield will ask Attorney Cain to attend the next meeting in reference to completing the agreement with the Senior Citizens.

Commissioner Taake clarified that the \$4,000. approved during the May 11th session of this meeting for batting machines, etc. did not include the structure and the cage. Motion was seconded and carried to approve an additional \$300. to cover the cost of same.

The Board approved a request by Mayor Armes to borrow six picnic tables for ZIP Code day.

Motion was seconded and carried to set off an area approximately 80' X 80' at the back side of the parking lot next to the trailer park specifically for roller blading. The area will be sealed and prepared accordingly.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

TERRY C. TAAKE  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Board of Commissioners  
Tri-Township Park District