



TRI TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

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Tri-Township Park District

Park Board Meeting

January 8, 2025

Call to Order 7:00pm

In attendance-Roll call, James Newcombe, Steve Barbor, Brian Byrd, Gary Burnes, Dan Broska, Dave Qualls, Ann Byrd. Toby Mitchell joined the meeting at 7:04.

Not Present-Bud Adelhardt

Reading of Minutes- Motion to approve- Byrne, 2nd Broska. All in favor yes, opposed none.

People on the agenda- None

Treasures report-Motion to accept Byrd, 2nd Barbour. All in fav yes, opposed none.

Bills-Motion to accept bills in the amount of \$25,208.51. First Byrd, 2nd Broksa. All in fav yes, opposed none.

Dog Park-Discussion on revisiting a dog park project. Sandy did research on this and the insurance company says it is no longer a high rate for liability insurance. She drew up some rules to review. Is this a project we would like to look into? Gary Burnes said his neighbor may donate his piece of land on the east side of the park to use as one. Gary will discuss his donation of the land even if they do not put the dog park there. He asked if we could put a plaque up donated by..., Newcome told him yes. Discussed was us maintaining and pay and fees on the transfer. Another location was discussed of area 51 since there is parking and also discussed was an acre of the 40 acres as this would be near restrooms and parking. Would this affect the crops, if so how much? Would this also affect future plans for development if we decided to add a driving range or something later?

In the end, it was suggested we do some research. First call the parks in the area for their pros, cons, suggestions, issues and visit sites. Research sites, funds, needed, and would we want to do fee or no fee. Research the layouts, space needed, other items needed and costs like water, shade, parking, bags for disposal, trash cans, benches, rules, signs, vaccination records, codes, fob, or swipe to get in, and how much maintenance. Look at 2-3 spots for a dog park and rate them 1st choice to 3rd. Also take into account the pipeline.

Chairman Comments- Sexual Harassment Packet- when meeting is over, please stay, read, and sign.

AC- all is going well; summer camp sign ups and planning are going great. Est 35 campers per week already signed up. Skating and parties are going well. Brandy is doing great-she is doing all of the registrations in Rec Desk and adding to Procure, had Newsletters done, add on Indeed for Camp Counselors, and is starting to order for the weeks.

There was an issue stemming from last camp season with unpaid camp fees. The staff member that was supposed to be following up is no longer with us. Emails have been sent, mailed letters, and most recently certified letters. The next step is sending the invoices to our attorney.

Barbour asked were the fees for camp. This ranges from \$95-\$135 depending on resident or nonresident, 3-day, 4 day, or 5 day camp and there is also an additional \$15 before and \$15 after care option. It is still cheaper than daycare.

Byrnes added that the Christmas skate was a success and the staff did awesome.

R&G- Broska brought up the need for a snowplow. He said our dump truck is only 2-wheel drive and could not hang in the snow. It has 18,000 miles so it could trade in on one with 4-wheel drive or add a plow to the front of the new service truck as it is mounted and wired for one. Byrd also brought up the option of making the dump truck a 4-wheel drive. Woody's may be able to do this so get a price. Will get a quote on a plow and look at 4-wheel drive dump trucks and then make an informed decision.

BB-Baseball sign ups have started-have had an estimated 225 registered. Slight fees increase to Instructional up of \$2-\$3.

Maintenance-The last few days has been snow and ice removal, fixed the salt spreader (had to do most by hand), Greenhouse is going well and is maintaining 65 degrees. Everyone needs to stop in and look at it. Next, they will be working on the playground equipment, ballfields, and grazing pen. Broska is bringing them a no outlet sign, they are finishing the painting in the senior center then will work on the flooring.

The gaga pit has board sticking out- they will look at that.

Office Manager- completed all W-2's and 1099's and mailed out and working on end of year.

Chairman comments- Look for wheeled grants and dog park grants. Sandy is out for knee surgery and is doing well.

Consent for approval- none.

No closed door.

Motion to end meeting at 7:52 by Byrd, 2nd Mitchell, All in fav yes, opposed none.

Meeting end 7:15pm