

TIPP CITY PARKS ADVISORY BOARD
TIPP CITY, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO **May 12, 2014**

Roll Call

Chairman Slagel called the meeting of the Tipp City Parks Advisory Board to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Members in attendance included: Kevin Cox, Doug Slagel and Ben Woodruff. Service Director Scott Vagedes, Dr. Martin English (Monroe Twp. Trustee), and Kathy Taylor (Tipp-Monroe Community Services) were also present. Nancy Bowman, reporter, was present.

Those signing the register included Brian Reinicke and Randy Myer.

Excuse member

Mr. Hodges **moved to excuse the absence of Douglas Chitwood**. Mr. Slagel seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Minutes

March 10, 2014
Meeting

Mr. Slagel asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Mr. Cox **moved to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2014 meeting**. Mr. Slagel seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

New Business

Tipp Nazarene
Community Events

The first item for discussion was a request by Brian Reinicke of the Church of the Nazarene. He said last year's events were a success and he was requesting approval for this year's events to be held in City Park and Tweed Woods. The first event will start at 1:00pm (not the 1:00am as listed). Mr. Hodges asked if the Food License Exemption was taken care of. Mr. Reinicke said it would be and they are only serving hot dogs, a bag of chips and soda. Ms. Taylor said he would need to stop by the Community Services building and fill out the paperwork and provide the certificate of liability insurance. Mr. Cox said the Canal Music Fest is that same date of June 14 but it does not start until 6pm. He verified that a sign of 24" x 24" can be used to state a "free party" is being held. Mr. Slagel **moved to approve the two events for the Church of the Nazarene, June 14 in City Park and July 12 in Tweed Woods Park from 1pm -3pm**. Mr. Woodruff seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Volunteers in City
Park

Mr. Hodges had attached an article from the Dayton Daily News regarding Adopt-A-Park. He thought it sounded like a good idea to have citizens in the parks doing different projects. Mr. Vagedes asked if he had a particular project in mind. Mr. Hodges said he thought it was a good way to get volunteers, but had no particular project in mind and that the parks were currently in pretty good shape. Mr. Vagedes said Council did allow the hiring of an additional employee with 50% from Parks and 50% from Streets. Mr. Asher has him concentrating on the maintenance of the entrances of the parks and here at the Government Center. Mr. Vagedes said citizen involvement with the parks is always

Old Business

Midwest US Tennis Association Event

welcome.

Mr. Vagedes said he thought these next two items for discussion should have an official vote by the Board. Both had been approved via e-mail recently.

Ms. Taylor said both groups have their paperwork in. Mr. Schroeder with the Tennis Center has also done this project in the past including last year, but did not the last two year as the courts were being renovated.

American Legion 5k Run/Walk

Mr. Hodges **moved to approve the team tennis event from June 17-July 22.** Mr. Slagel seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Other Business
Parks Brochure

Mr. Slagel asked if they settled all their paperwork. Ms. Taylor said they did and they had over 100 runners. Mr. Cox **moved to approve the American Legion 5k run held May 10.** Mr. Woodruff seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

TCA Project Update

Mr. Vagedes said the brochures were sent out with the utility bills. He said he has not heard much feedback. He was pleased with the upgrade and liked the map. The Board agreed. There are about 800 maps left and Mr. Asher was to take a supply to Community Services and distribute them also in the parks.

City Park Play Structure

Mr. Vagedes said Mr. Asher was ill today so he could not give a full report. The entrance has been resurfaced to Kyle Park. The soccer field has been graded and seeded and there is still some cleanup work that needs to be done. They originally said the project will be in operation by October. There are still pump filters and testing to be done. This is a project under Mrs. Butera's jurisdiction. There is an allowance for some landscaping to be done yet.

The City Park play structure can receive a discount if the City goes through Houston/Galveston Area Council. The City can save nearly \$2,500 by passing legislation and joining that group. There is no fee involved. The payment also goes thru them. It will take about 3 weeks to deliver and 1 week to install. Mr. Woodruff asked if the City remains a member after this purchase. Mr. Vagedes said yes and that the City would not have to reapply for membership.

Citizens' Comments Not on the Agenda

Randy Myers from Jr. Baseball said season is in full swing. There are some tents going up to provide shade for May 24. The batter boxes have clay bricks. Mr. Vagedes asked if they would consider building the mound on Diamond 4. Mr. Myers said 6 portable mounds have been purchased and they have been using one of those which is made for longer strides. The freshman boy's baseball team is using that one. There were two speakers moved from downtown, but they are not hooked up. Mr. Hodges asked

**Board Member
comments**

for a wish-list from Jr. Baseball.

Mr. Vagedes said Mr. Vath provided information that some CDBG monies has been received for the handicapped walkway although not as much as was requested. Those funds should become available in October.

Mr. Slagel said he appreciates all that Mr. Vagedes has done for the Board. Mr. Hodges agreed with that and wished him well with his retirement.

Mr. Hodges commented on the concession stand at the Thomas Cloud park and thought it would be great to have something at Kyle Park for all sports to utilize. Mr. Vagedes said the vendors were not interested in putting in vending machines due to the potential for damage in the large picnic shelter. Mr. Hodges said the project in Huber has a budget of around \$250,000.

Mr. Hodges said he also wanted to have the tennis courts lined for pickleball. He would like to see some costs for that at the next meeting.

Mr. Slagel said there was recently a ball tournament at the park and a horse trailer had damaged the grass due to the wet conditions and parked vehicles/trailers. Mr. Vagedes observed that a few cars were parked on the asphalt parking lot and many more on the sod. He hoped that Jr. Baseball would encourage families to park on the asphalt. Mr. Myers said he will send out an e-mail to all their parents to try and observe those issues. Mr. Slagel said it would also help with some sort of park ranger.

Mr. Cox wished Mr. Vagedes well, as did Mr. Woodruff.

Adjournment

The next meeting will be Monday, July 14, 2014. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm on a motion by Mr. Slagel, seconded by Mr. Woodruff and unanimously approved.

APPROVED: _____
Board Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Marilyn Fennell, Recording Secretary