

Village/ Township Park Coop Meeting Minutes
August 28, 2008

Present:

Steve Smouse

Steve Turner

George Seater

John Edgell

Bob McCarty

Jill Velan

Laurie Stahl

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at the Township Hall. **Motion for approval of April 9, 2008 minutes by Bob McCarty, second by John Edgell.**

Copy of insurance policies should be brought to next meeting to compare or at a meeting between Jill Velan and Steve Smouse. Lori Folbrick from the Village has made sure Village is covered per Coop agreement.

George Seater gave presentation concerning Brick Pavers fundraiser project on behalf of Royale House Inc. His suggestion is to sell bricks at \$49.95. Cost of brick is \$17.00. Everyone seemed interested in this project but would need fundraiser/non-profit group to run this fundraiser. Discussion on where to place brick paths or could be a wall. Idea to have pads at each Frisbee Golf hole with hole sponsor brick. Also idea to have different paths, one near football, one near baseball fields, that way those organizations could run fundraiser to their participants to have a brick near those specific areas. Another idea is to have a wall or path near the flag pole or shelter. Marketing of this idea could be done with AYLL, Rotary, Lions Club, and Viking. Everyone was encouraged to look at the Company website as well as brick paths at Centennial Park and Bill Brook Wetlands Park. Question on cost of installation of paths/wall came up. Steve Turner has the name of someone who said he would donate the cost of labor. Township/Village may have to do prep work ahead of time.

Park is being used a lot by everyone (Viking – Flag Football, AYLL – girls, AYB – tryouts and tournament practice). Frisbee Golf Tournament by Sharefest went well. Four Wheelers have been a problem at park. Signs need to be put up saying No Motorized Vehicles Allowed. Tim Osmond Plaque needs to be installed. It was agreed that it should go up near the flagpole. Village staff will remove fundraiser signs and store them so they may be used again during next phase.

Discussion on Entrance Sign. Laurie contacted Tierney Signs. They said sign should be finished in 2 weeks. Steve Smouse will take down tree. Stump will need to be removed and berm also needs to be cut down some because it is too high. Jill asked about cost of stump removal. Village does not have money in budget for that. Bob McCarty will call Cecil from Central Clearing to see if he will donate stump removal. If they will not donate, get quote. There is still about \$30,000 left in account for finishing off phase 1. Steve will look at berm with Bill Smith and Mark Ring and determine if they can grade down berm.

Park Maintenance: Steve Smouse and Ron Horton have been mowing this summer. Steve Smouse intends to plow again this winter. Steve Turner said he understood that since the Village/Township purchased the mower 50/50 it was to be used just for Tim Osmond Park. He is concerned that the mower is being used to mow other Village Parks. A park maintenance agreement is needed in writing. Jill said she has had some discussions with Steve Smouse on other Township/Village coop ideas and that an overall Inter-Government agreement between the Village and Township on many things not just the park needs to be documented. Jill and Steve will work on this together. Other concerns on maintenance: Viking called concerned about brown grass in fields. It hasn't rained much and fields are going dormant this time of year. John Nebel wanted to know if they could get a well donated just for irrigation purposes only. Jill will check ordinances. Check with EPA because of landfill use also. John also wanted to know about having single phase electric done now to run concessions and bathroom and scoreboards versus 3 phase electric which would be needed for stadium lights. Price comparison is much different. The co-op would like to see it done right the first time. Steve Turner will get John Nebel's phone number and call him about his concerns and what Viking Football is working on in regards to the park.

Discussion about complaints from residents. As of now, Laurie usually handles complaints or calls Steve Smouse if need be. Park Rules should be posted at park.

OSLAD update: Audit being done. Letter coming soon saying we will get our money in 30 – 45 days. \$200,000 each. Money will not be going back into grant this year. Shooting for 2009/10. Township needs to use their money to pay back loan. Discussion on getting large corporations to donate money or fields.

Jill asked if the issue with Waste Management has been resolved. Steve Smouse said somewhat. He is still working with them on a resolution. She also asked if park is ready for final inspection for SMC meeting.

Bob McCarty reported that we did not get the Hamburger Helper Grant this year. There are other grants out there. No avenue to find them. We need to find someone who can find grants and try to secure them. Maybe hire someone and give them a percentage. Village has grant committee on staff. Jill will have them look into it.

No other business. **Bob McCarty made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.**

Acting Secretary – Laurie Stahl