PARK COMMISSION

March 25, 2013

The regular meeting of the Park Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Albany Village meeting room by Chairperson John Briggs. Members present were: John Briggs, Rod Sutherland, Eileen Althaus and Jim Mauerman. Absent was: Faith Pendergrass and Larry Ommodt. Also present was: Larry Hanson, Virginia Detra, Laurie Keepers, Cindy Mauerman, Gary Armitage, Bonnie Mueller, and Debra Bailey.

Proof of posting was verified.

MINUTES: Motion by Althaus, seconded by Sutherland, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: Bonnie Mueller and Debra Bailey were present to be available for any questions regarding the new little league program.

LITTLE LEAGUE: Armitage had some concerns on the change in management of the Little League Program. Mueller explained that the fees received would be used to fund the programs and the equipment purchases the same as in the past and the program would be run the same except all programs would be at night rather than having T-Ball in the morning.

Hanson raised a question regarding the aluminum can money being used for this program. Mueller assumed that was part of the program as in the past. Mueller and Bailey were at the Recycling Committee meeting to answer any questions they had and to be sure this arrangement could be continued. This is necessary if the program is to grow and a full accounting of these funds will be made available to the Village and the Township at the end of the season. The vote at the Recycling Committee meeting was to try this for one year with a full accounting at the end of the year. Hanson also raised the question of the affect this will have on the recreation director and assistant duties. Mauerman explained that she will provide a list of planned activities.

After much discussion on all issues, motion by Althaus, seconded by Briggs, to approve the transfer of all Little League ball programs to the Albany Dugout Club for the 2013 summer program. Carried.

RECREATION DIRECTOR/ASSISTANT POSITIONS: Motion by Briggs, seconded by Sutherland, to hire Cindy Mauerman as the Recreation Director and Jessica Mauerman as Assistant Director with the positions criteria being the same as in the past and do a study of both positions at the end of the year. Carried.

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FORREST UPDATE: Briggs stated there is not much change. Lumber prices are down and we will continue to work with the DNR to see if we can do anything better. Hanson asked us to check with local people to see if there is any interest.

REVIEW CARETAKER APPLICATIONS: The committee received five applications for the summer caretaker. After review of these applications, motion by Briggs, seconded by Sutherland, to interview Devin Deegan and Clinton Sullivan at a Special Park Meeting on April 8, 2013 at 5:45 p.m. to make a final decision. Carried.

CARETAKER CONCERNS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None.

ADJOURNED: Motion by Althaus, seconded by , to adjourn. Carried.

JOHN BRIGGS, Chairperson Park Commission 8:00 p.m.