

**LINCOLN CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
PARKS COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 15, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 6:22 p.m. by Chairman Gardner at the Community Center Pavilion, 5575 South Roosevelt Road, for the purpose of reviewing parks employees and special projects and to allow for group attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the Township Board.

Notice posted August 14, 2006, at 10:00 p.m.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Todd Gardner, Rich Knapp, Rick Knight, Mike Lucker and Kim Risk. **ABSENT:** Bill Tucker.

**Parks Employees/Contractors:** Reviewed fall scheduling of park employees. Discussed work performed by Hoskins as Interim Parks Maintenance Supervisor, full-time seasonal employee, and two part-time high school employees.

Commissioners acknowledged receiving employment termination letters from Township Supervisor Dick Stauffer at their home mailing addresses. Gardner stated frustration stemming from repeated meetings with Stauffer earlier in the year regarding compensation for Parks Commissioners and questions about the hourly rate for non-board work in place for at least the last 10 years. Gardner said Stauffer placed the issues back in Parks hands and denied recognition of commissioners as officers of the township or deserving of comparable compensation.

The Parks Commission was left to decide how to handle payment for all the extra hours of work being done by commissioners relating to special projects and administrative duties. The 2006/07 Parks Operating Budget includes \$10,500 for Elected/Salaried and \$15,000 for Hourly Wages, which was approved by the Township Board. Risk read from an email sent from Stacy Porter, township accounting clerk: "Any extra hours turned in are paid at \$10.00 per hour per parks resolution made several years ago."

Chairman Gardner will continue to work on the compensation issue with Supervisor Stauffer.

**Parks Special Projects:** Discussed progress of kitchen addition and Parks Office inside the Community Park pavilion. Risk, seconded by Hoskins, made a **MOTION** to approve \$1100 for purchase of refrigerator, stove and microwave to be installed in the Community Park pavilion for group use. **MOTION APPROVED.**

Discussed improvements needed at Community Park parking lot. Hoskins will schedule seal coating and striping of lot and order replacement Handicapped Parking signs. Gardner, seconded by Hoskins, made a **MOTION** to approve up to \$2,000 to seal coat and stripe the parking lot at the Community Park. **MOTION APPROVED.**

Discussed scheduling of fall recreation programs.

Meeting business ended at 6:55 p.m. and commission re-convened at the Municipal Building to attend meeting of Township Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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Kimberly Risk, Secretary