

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARK COMMISSION OF THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2010

Present were Chairman Thomas Frizzell, New Member Commissioner Billy Anderson, Superintendent John J. Dorgan Jr., Brian Droukas, Patrick Quinn, Paul Sergi, Donald Dawson.

The meeting began at 7:00PM.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 28, 2010 meeting were approved as written.

WALKER BASEBALL FIELD RENOVATION:

Brian Droukas presented a plan to renovate the existing baseball field, which would include new fencing, new dugouts, new bullpens and new bleachers. Paul Sergi explained the drainage concept which would be extensive in order for the field to drain properly. The field would be set up for both Pony League and Colt League. Mr. Frizzell had some concerns with a new grass infield because of the need for watering and the normal wear on the grass. He suggested that they use the best possible infield mix and stay with a new skin diamond.

Mr. Anderson asked about the fencing and the different heights shown on the plan. Also discussed was a new backstop and making it higher than the existing one in order to prevent more foul balls from disturbing the neighbors. Mr. Dorgan's only concern was with the extensive drainage work and grading that was proposed the field might not be playable the following spring. Mr. Dorgan explained to the Commission that a performance bond should be required in order to protect the City.

Mr. Frizzell and Mr. Anderson as a Sub Committee recommends that this renovation be approved and a Performance Bond will be required. Once the project has been successfully completed the Baseball Field will be named in memory of James Anderson.

SUPERINTENDENTS
REPORT:

Mr. Dorgan reported that the Golf Course has been opened for about two weeks. The weather has slowed the work on the ball fields with all the rain that we have had during March.

Mr. Dorgan stated that he has submitted a level funded budget to the Mayor for 2011 but is concerned that more cuts may happen.

Having no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Dorgan, Jr.
Superintendent