

MINUTES

The Election of Officers Board meeting of the Kewanee Park District Board of Commissioners was held at the Baker Park Office, Thursday April 28, 2016.

PRESENT: Commissioners Al Salisbury, Jim Heberer, Mike Nichols, Jim Powell and Jacque Verscha. Also present was Brian Johnson, Director; Michelle Anderson, Secretary
ABSENT: None.

President Jim Heberer called the meeting to order.

OPEN BUSINESS: With no open business to discuss, President Heberer continued on to the meeting.

Director Johnson is currently in his final year of a 3 year contract voted on in 2014, therefore no vote is needed for the Director of Parks position. However, President Heberer moved to extend Director Johnson's contract for another 3 years which would take him to 2017. Jacque Verscha seconded the motion. All in Favor. Congratulations Director Johnson!

Director Johnson called for nominations for President of the Board for 2016. Al Salisbury nominated Jim Heberer for President of the Board for 2016. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes. Congratulations President Jim Heberer.

Director Johnson called for nominations for Vice-President of the Board for 2016. Al Salisbury moved to elect Jim Powell as Vice-President. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson called for nominations for Secretary of the Board for 2016. Al Salisbury moved to elect Michelle Anderson as Secretary. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson called for nominations for Park District Attorney for the Board for 2016. Al Salisbury moved to appoint Barash & Everett as Park District Attorneys. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson called for nominations for Park District Financial Advisor for the Board for 2016. Al Salisbury moved to retain Mark Russell with Peoples National Bank as the Park District Financial Advisor. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes

Director Johnson called for nominations for E.E. Baker Trust Financial Advisor for the Board for 2016. Al Salisbury moved to retain Clark Blair as the E.E. Baker Trust Financial Advisor. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson called for a motion to leave or change the Committees for 2016. Al Salisbury moved to keep the Committees for 2016 the same. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson called for a motion to leave or change authorized signatures on all People's Bank Accounts for 2016. Al Salisbury moved leave the authorized signatures on all People's Bank Accounts for 2016 the same. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson called for a motion to return to the regular meeting and turn the meeting over to re-elected President Jim Heberer. Jim Powell made a motion to return to the regular meeting. Jacque Verscha seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

President Heberer asked for any further business to discuss. Jim Powell reminded the Board that the Child's Best Friend Award presentation is coming up and nominations still need to be decided. Al Salisbury wanted to re-address the removal of the existing fencing around the playground equipment at Northeast Park. Al suggested that if there are safety issues and/or complaints regarding the removal of the fence, the Board could address possible solutions but until the fence is removed the Board will not know if it is going to work or not. The Board discussed the possibility of rearranging some of the existing playground equipment should the need arise. The Board also discussed the advantages to the removal of the existing fencing along Page St at Windmont Park. Along that fence line is difficult to maintain due to a hill and limited space along the fence to mow. Jim Powell moved to remove both the existing playground fence at Northeast park and the existing fence along Page St. at Windmont Park. Al Salisbury seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Director Johnson informed the Board that the new flag pole has been installed at the driving range and looks great. Michelle Anderson informed that Board that the EE Baker Scholarship Essays would be delivered to the Commissioners by Friday afternoon for them to look over and nominate winners. Jim Heberer thanked Brian and Michelle for sending a second round of baseball registration forms to the schools as a reminder to sign up.

With nothing further to discuss Al Salisbury moved to adjourn the meeting with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2016. Jim Powell seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion passes.