

MINUTES

The Board meeting of the Kewanee Park District Board of Commissioners was held at the Kewanee Park District Office, Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 5:30 PM.

PRESENT: President Jim Heberer, Al Salisbury, Mike Nichols, Jim Powell and Jacque Verscha. Also present was Brian Johnson, Director.

ABSENT: Secretary Michelle Anderson.

President Jim Heberer called the meeting to order. The minutes of the September 17, 2015 meeting were reviewed and discussed. Al Salisbury motioned to accept the minutes as written. Jim Powell seconded the motion. All in favor.

The September 2015 Financial Statement was presented. The Board reviewed and discussed the September 2015 Financial Statement. Al Salisbury moved to accept the September 2015 Financial Statement. Mike Nichols seconded the motion. All in favor. The September Bills for Approval were then reviewed and discussed. Jim Powell moved to approve the Bills for September 2015. Jacque Verscha seconded the motion. All in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING: President Jim Heberer called to order the Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposal to sell \$485,000.00 General Obligation Park Bonds for the payment land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving, and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District, for the payment of outstanding bonds of the district and for the payment of expenses incident thereto, and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto. Hearing and seeing no testimony from anyone Al Salisbury moved to proceed with the selling of the General Obligation Bonds. Jim Powell seconded the motion. All in favor. President Heberer then entertained a motion to close the public hearing. Al Salisbury moved to adjourn the public hearing. Jim Powell seconded the motion. All in favor.

OPEN BUSINESS: Having no open business to discuss, President Heberer moved on to the Director's report.

DIRECTOR'S JOHNSON'S Report: Director Johnson's report began with Design Perspective. Director Johnson stated that we held the Pre-Bid Meeting for the sports lighting on October 15th and I was pleasantly surprised that several bidders

came to the meeting and inspected Northeast Park to get ready to bid the project. Brian from MUSCO was also present to answer any questions that came up as well. The bid opening will be Tuesday October 27, 2015 at 2pm. We may need to call a Special Meeting at that time to pass the bid so they can get started as soon as possible. President Heberer motioned to schedule a Special Meeting now for Tuesday October 27, 2015 at 5:30pm to discuss and possibly pass the low bid on the Sports Lighting at Northeast Park so we don't waste any time getting the project started. Al Salisbury seconded the motion. All in favor. Brian will give the Star Courier the proper notice.

Director Johnson then stated that the 19th Hole Restaurant is now only open from 7am to 1 pm daily. The last day for service will be October 31, 2015.

Director Johnson then informed the Board that he negotiated a new Electrical Service Agreement with Seven Utilities (Dale Snyder) through Direct Energy. The 24 month agreement will start in July of 2016 and run through July of 2018 at 0.06005 per Kilowatt Hour.

Director Johnson also talked to Ken Gutschlag about replacing the 4 outfield poles at Windmont Park. Remember that one pole was cut down because it was ready to fall. All the infield poles are still in very good shape and don't need to be replaced. To replace all 4 with wood - \$14,350.00 and to replace all 4 poles with steel - \$23,350.00. Johnson said we have time before we replace these poles, and he asked if this is something we want to get a second bid on? After a small discussion Director Johnson was asked to check with Ameren or someone else to compare the pricing and see if we could get the poles cheaper.

Director Johnson then said that some things that have been happening around the KPD lately – Golf Course has airfied both tees and greens, the big oak tree to the north of 18 tee off fell down last week and the guys got that cleaned up, Soil samples were taken from the tees and greens and analyzed. From those samples, Dan has applied some chemicals to bring them back to where they should be. Dan will be working on winterizing the irrigation system and replacing new heads that are under warranty. Windmont Park has new wood on the big bridge, new fascia (and soon to be new gutters) on the Kiwanis Pagoda and the North Pagoda, and new asphalt in both the parking lots as well as the driveway. JR and his crew have also replaced the concrete walk that had been broken up around the lake. Gutschlag is getting closer to having the electrical repairs done as well. To me Windmont and Baker Parks look wonderful!!

Director Johnson then stated the Chicago Convention is January 28th – 30th. Al, Barb, Stef and I are going Wednesday the 27th and coming back on Saturday the 30th. He asked everyone to please be looking over your schedules and let me know what your plan are.

With nothing further to discuss, President Heberer entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting with the next Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday November 19, 2015 at 5:30pm. Mike Nichols moved to adjourn the meeting. Jacque Verscha seconded. All in favor.