

The monthly meeting of the Kewanee Park District Board of Commissioners was held at the Kewanee Park District Office, 1095 Cambridge Road Kewanee, IL 61443 Thursday January 21, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

**Present:** President Andrew Verstraete, Commissioners Jim Powell, Jim Heberer, Jacque Verscha, Steve Brackett. Also, present, Director Brian Johnson, Secretary Christy Jackson-Ehnle

**Absent:** None

President Andrew Verstraete called the meeting to order. The minutes of the December 17, 2020 meeting were reviewed and discussed. Jim Powell motioned to accept the minutes as written. Steve Brackett seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

The December 2020 Financial Statements was presented. The Board reviewed and discussed the Financial Statements. Jim Heberer motioned to accept the December 2020 Financial Statements. Jim Powell seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

The January Bills for Approval were reviewed and discussed. Jim Heberer motioned to approve the Bills for January 2020. Steve Brackett seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion Passed.

Open Business: None

With no open business President Andrew Verstraete turned over the meeting to Director Johnson for his report.

### **Director Johnson's Report and Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Thursday January 21, 2021 at 5:30 pm. As far as I know everyone will be here.

- 1.) We received a thank you from the Illinois Association of Park Districts for renewing our membership again this year. You should you're your IAPD ID card in your packet. Congratulations goes out to Jim Heberer for being awarded the Commissioner of the Year Award for the whole State of Illinois. Jim received his award and did a video shoot which will air at the state convention in Chicago (virtually) Awards Ceremony at the end of January.

- 2.) Community State Bank has granted us \$5,000.00 for the purchase of 3 Generational Swings (ordered) and the remainder to go to replace some old swing frames at Windmont Park. Thankyou CSB!
- 3.) President Verstraete has a mural done for the back of the concession stand at Northeast Park as you enter town from the north. I will let Andy tell the story of how this came to be.
- 4.) The Memorial Fountain and the rock with the 16x22 cast bronze plate on it have both been ordered and will be ready for a spring delivery.
- 5.) We have gone to bid for 15 new golfcarts in the Star Courier and on our Facebook page. We will open said bids on January 21, 2021 at 10am.  
**Russ from M & M Golf Cars showed up Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> with a bid for Golf Carts. 15 @ 4,700 = \$70,500, trade in on 15 @ \$1,360 = \$20,400 net \$50,100 for 15 new golf carts. Brian mentioned to get ball washers & 4 golf carts with steel flat beds, 4-6 weeks delivery. Jim Heberer motioned to have Director Johnson to purchase the golf carts and supplies. Steve Brackett seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion Passed.**
- 6.) Aspec Environmental Testing inspected the old shed at the maintenance area finding it contained no asbestos. Ready for that building to come down.
- 7.) I have adjusted the job descriptions as told to and had the employees sign their contract, then put in their file. Dan had a few questions ...1.) He would like to see his job as Greens Superintendent/ mechanic have a entry level salary of \$45,000.00 and a cap of \$70,000.00. 2.) He would also like to see the Assistant Greenskeeper have an entry level salary of \$30,000.00 and be capped at \$45,000.00. He wanted me to bring this up.
- 8.) President Verstraete came into the office on Friday January 8, 2021 and handed me the wording for the advertisement for the job of Director of the Kewanee Park District and instructed me to move forward with putting it in the Star Courier. He said that everyone had approved the wording and I should place the ad as soon as possible, not to lose any more time. I asked if Commissioner Brackett had approved the wording and he said yes, he did. I then asked if Commissioner Verscha also approved the wording and he said yes, she did. So, I moved forward with placing the ad in the paper, there is a copy enclosed.
- 9.) I did obtain a copy of the Illinois Association of Park District Executive Directors search that is offered to all park districts. I was planning on giving you all a copy at this board meeting, but a decision has already been made before the meeting was held. I did give Andy one on the 8<sup>th</sup> and recently gave one to Jim Heberer.

With nothing further to discuss, Jim Powell motioned to adjourn the meeting. Steve Brackett seconded the motion. All in Favor. Meeting adjourned.