

Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Kewanee Park District Board of Commissioners was held at the Kewanee Park District Office Board Room, 1095 Cambridge Road Kewanee, IL 61443 Thursday August 15 at 5:00 PM.

Present: President Kapacinkas, Commissioner Brackett, Commissioner J. Heberer, Commissioner Morey, Commissioner M. Heberer, Director Andrew Dwyer, Secretary Heather Haga, and Jennifer Russell (Regional Media)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:
 - i. Regular Meeting July 18, 2024
- b. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
- c. CONSIDERATION OF BILLS FOR APPROVAL
 - i. Month of July 2024

Any of the above items may be removed and considered individually upon request:

Commissioner Morey motioned to approve Consent Agenda. Commissioner Brackett seconded the motion. Motion Passed. 5-0

3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Public Hearing:** OSLAD Grant Application – ADA All inclusive Playground
- b. **Consideration of Resolution No. 51:** Authorizing Executive Director to Approve Passthrough Payments to Vendors Completing Insurance Claim Remediation

Commissioner Morey motioned to approve. Commissioner Brackett seconded the motion. Motion Passed. 5-0

5. REPORT FROM DIRECTOR

The monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on August 15 at 5p.m. Please see the report below. I will be available to discuss any and all items in advance. Please let me know if you have any questions!

1. Tornado – All Parks are open. Bluejay and LamCo are, as of this writing, finishing up tree removal at Windmont and just starting along the perimeter of Baker Park. The plan is for one service to rotate into the inner Baker Drive while the other works on the golf course. They then will converge and finish up Chautauqua and be done. I suspect work will be completed end of this week or mid next. I will be submitting a reimbursement and pre-approval request to our insurance carrier today or tomorrow. I am working on the staff time and equipment components/calculations to obtain reimbursement. Power has been restored at Windmont and Parks are operating normally, minus trees.
2. Ketrige Funds – I am pushing this project back until we get a handle on everything and hope to bring you something soon.
3. Working on Splash pad. Submission for alterations will be going to state very soon. I hope to have an update for you and a release of bid package within next month or so
4. OSLAD Grant app 2024. Making great progress. Feedback from community is overwhelming. Renderings and site plan are forthcoming, however, a bulk of the grant writing has been completed. At this point, I am trying to tie in site plans, electrical maps, and other components that help deem location is proper.
5. Windmont Park project has been on hold but we are starting to see progress once again. We will be obtaining an updated timeline as the site was inaccessible for roughly 4 weeks due to storm.
6. Solar Canopy will be seeing work this week and target is to open it up next week.
7. Enclosed you will see this years pricing and timeline for bond issuance.
8. I am working with Paula and Nichelle on Submissions for the IAPD “Best of the Best”. We are submitting for our 105th anniversary and also the Best news coverage.

9. We have made a day to day operational change with the maintenance team and Deputy Supt. Shane Lafollette is spending his primary amount of time in the parks and ensuring they are maintaining our expectations. I am hopeful this is a good move for the maintenance team, the parks, and our residents.

10. Other activities:

- a. Playdays are picking up.
- b. HS, and 2 Jr high teams starting practice.
- c. HS will use Chautauqua for meet this year as they have a scheduled meet during Labor Day tournament
- d. Labor day information has been posted and tee times are coming in at steady pace.
- e. Baseball has wrapped up after a tough year with rainouts. We only cancelled 1 game for boys and girls. Some teams actually got all their games in. However, some games were forfeited or not played due to lack of players.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS – Items 7- Commissioner comments

Commissioner M. Heberer Command staff and tree companies. happy to see Windmont back. Looks great

Commissioner Morey All work with tree clean up and was glad to have relay for life at Windmont. Think at the end of the year there should be a softball and baseball meeting about rules and weather. Jeremy did a great job.

Commissioner J. Heberer Asked about age to drive golf cart, Asked about play days for golf. Northeast skate park lights were off at 9:00 pm can timer on lights be checked.

Commissioner Kapacinskas Thankful for Blue Jay and LamCo and getting the trees picked up. Thanks to all the staff

Commissioner Brackett Thanks to all efforts with clean up from tornados #12 looks excellent.

7. ADJOURN

With nothing further to discuss President Kapacinskas entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner J. Heberer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Morey seconded the motion. All in Favor. Motion Passed. 5-0