

Minutes from January 24, 2022 Knox Parks and Recreation Board Meeting

Attendance:

Board Members Present: Autumn Ferch, Ruth Bailey, Glenn Barnes, Nathan Bradley, Gary Dulin, and Lora Estok.

Board Members Not Present:

Others Present: Karl Swihart, Mayor Estok

Amendments to Agenda for January 24, 2022

- None

Acceptance of minutes from November 22, 2021: Motion – Gary, 2nd – Ruth. All in favor.

Mayors Appointments for 2022

- Lora Estok is appointed to the Park Board.

Election of Officers for 2022

- **President**
 - o **Nomination** – Autumn,
 - nominated by Glenn.
 - Nominations closed by Ruth.
 - o All in favor to appoint Autumn as Park Board President
- **Vice – President**
 - o **Nomination** - Gary,
 - Nominated by Glenn
 - Nominations closed by Ruth.
 - o All in favor to appoint Gary as Park Board Vice – President
- **Secretary**
 - o **Nomination** – Glenn
 - Nominated by Autumn
 - Nominations closed by Gary.
 - o All in favor to appoint Glenn as Park Board Secretary

Director

- Mayor appointed Karl Swihart as Park and Recreation Director.
 - o Motion to accept Mayor's Appointment
 - Motion – Glenn, 2nd – Ruth. All in favor

Public Comment

- None

Presentation of Financials

- New Fund discussed.

New Business

- 2022 Park Employees
 - Leave the Park Employee decisions up to Karl.
 - The 2 employees from last year want to work again this year. The Board is good with keeping them if Karl is.
 - Sheriff's Department trustees are going to help out with work around the park this year.
- Invoices for Baseball and Concessions.
 - Glenn will make sure KVA pays for last year.
 - Karl and Autumn will get Marvin an invoice for last years fees.
 - Discussed having a deposit for 2022 and making it a flat fee for the year.
- Ice Skating Rink Policy
 - Karl and Autumn will put together a policy for the ice-skating rink.
 - To possibly include limiting playing hockey to one day a week.
 - Include how someone goes about renting the rink, and make the rent the same as a shelter. Post rentals the same as for shelters.
- 2022 Baseball and Softball
 - There are discussions about the park taking over the Baseball and Softball program for 2022.
 - Karl met with the board and he has the time and experience to handle it. There will be a committee created so members of the board can still have input.
 - Motion to go forward
 - Motion – Nathan, 2nd – Gary. All in favor.
- 2022 Movies in the Park
 - Board agrees to move forward with planning 5-6 movies this summer.
- Daddy/Daughter Dance
 - Is scheduled for February 18th at the Community Center
- High School Facility Usage
 - Denny and Karl met with Dr. Reichhart and Karl is going to the school board meeting to discuss programs that will be held, specifically the ones that will be held at the school. (youth and adult basketball and pickleball)
- Advertising Signs
 - Karl wants to start getting advertising signs from businesses for the park. Similar to how baseball and softball hung them on the fields but the donation will go to the park.
- Message Board Request
 - Karl wants to get a message board for the community center to put flyers in.
 - Board approved the purchase of one up to \$250, but first check and make sure the City doesn't have an extra that can be used.

Board Member Comments

- Gary - invited all board members to the school board meeting
- Nathan – Skate Park update, must pay to get the blue prints upfront. It could cost around \$12,000. This company did Winamac and Carmel's skate park.
- Motion to Adjourn – Nathan, 2nd – Ruth. All in favor