

Tippecanoe County Park and Recreation Board
Minutes of February 7, 2018
Park Board Office
4449 State Road 43 N.
West Lafayette, IN 47906

Present: Board members John Gambs, Denny Mellon, Roberta Crabtree and Mike Gery. Also in attendance Park Board attorney Dave Luhman, Bryan Metzger, staff members Mary Barrett, Adam Libbers, Randy Lower, Brian Cook and Allen Nail.

The meeting was called to order by President John Gambs at 3:02 p.m.

December minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Roberta Crabtree and a second by Mike Gery. The Park Board did not meet in January.

Claims were reviewed and unanimously approved on a motion by Mike Gery and a second by Denny Mellon.

Election of Officers for 2018:

Dave Luhman asked for nominations.

- Office of President: Mike Gery nominated John Gambs. There were no other nominations. This motion was seconded by Denny Mellon. By consensus, John was elected President.
- Office of Vice President: Mike Gery nominated Bob Probasco. There were no other nominations. This motion was seconded by Denny Mellon. By consensus, Bob was elected Vice President.
- Office of Executive Secretary: Mike Gery nominated Allen Nail. There were no other nominations. This motion was seconded by Denny Mellon. By consensus, Allen was elected Executive Secretary.

Old Business:

2017 Budget Report: Board members reviewed the December Budget Report including funds that will be encumbered for projects that will be completed in 2018. There were no concerns.

2017 Review: Randy Lower reflected on achievements in 2017. He is currently lining up bids to replace vehicles and staff is busy preparing equipment for the busy Spring season. Randy noted the department has been fortunate to have an outstanding group of seasonal employees in the past and hopes to add additional qualified staff to assist with the new properties.

New Business:

Fees, Charges and Rates for 2018: Property managers do not see a need to raise rates for 2018. A 2018 rental fee schedule was provided to the Board for review. Mike Gery motioned to approve rates for 2018 as submitted; Roberta seconded, carried unanimously.

Allen and Brian Cook have requested to amend the current Park Rules specifically for the campground. They would like to prohibit the use of off-road vehicles in an effort to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment of the grounds. After a brief discussion, Dave Luhman asked Allen to provide him a draft of the proposed rule change and it could be submitted to the Board in the form of a resolution for consideration of the Board at the next meeting.

2018 Budget Report: Board members reviewed the January Budget Report. There were no concerns.

Superintendent's Report:

- Appointments to the Park and Recreation Foundation: The term for Bob Probasco and Scott Rumble as Directors of the Park and Recreation Foundation expired at the end of 2017. Mike Gery motioned to appoint Bob Probasco and Scott Rumble for a new term. Roberta Crabtree 2nd the motion, carried unanimously.
- Allen informed the Board that a couple of ticketing agencies have expressed interest in providing an electronic ticketing service to the Amphitheater on behalf of the Board. After a brief discussion, there was no motion by the Park Board to pursue entering into such an agreement. It was suggested that the matter be referred to the Park Foundation for consideration.
- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Minutes compiled by Mary Barrett.