
COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT INFORMATION AND APPLICATION

HAMPSHIRE TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

The Hampshire Township Park District is seeking to appoint a two membersto the Park Board of Commissioners. Interested parties must submit this application to the park board. Of those submitting applications, the most qualified, in the board's opinion, will be invited for oral interviews with the board.

The current vacancies will be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the board on February 20, 2012
Current board members are Greg Stebbins- President, Arlene Larmon, Aaron Kelly

The Executive Director of the Hampshire Township Park District is Robert Whitehouse

OVERVIEW

A commissioner on the Hampshire Township Park District board takes the responsibility for helping to set the goals, formulate the policies, and establish the services that will meet the present and future needs of the citizens in our community.

Board members, collectively, and individually, act as representatives of all residents of the district in maintaining and promoting the use of park and recreation activities. Through an evaluation of the available resources and the often conflicting needs and demands of all interested parties and groups, board members will seek to move toward decisions and actions which best serve the recreational needs of the community as a whole.

The board does not manage the day-to-day operations as it employs and supervises an executive director for this function.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must be registered to vote in Kane County, Illinois.
2. Applicants must be a resident of the Hampshire Township Park District since February 20, 2011

MANDATORY QUALIFICATIONS

Qualified applicants must:

1. Have a sincere interest in and a commitment to the park district's mission, goals, and objectives.
 2. Place the larger interests of the park district above personal concerns.
 3. Possess high ethical standards.
 4. Be sensitive to the obligations and relationships of their commitment to the park district.
 5. Have the capacity to support the executive director in his role of manager of the park district.
 6. Be willing to give time and energy to learn about as well as carry out board duties.
 7. Have the capability to recognize the value and necessity of mutual understanding and teamwork between the board and the staff.
 8. Be able to inspire the community's confidence, respect, and support.
 9. Possess the skill to participate in discussions with demonstrated reasoning, good judgment, and the courage of personal convictions.
 10. Be willing to make personal sacrifices, such as time away from family and work.
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11. Have a talent for working well with others.
 12. Be tactful, objective, respectful of varied opinions and points of view, and completely open-minded.
 13. Have the capability to support board decisions, even when the decisions conflict with personal views.
 14. Have the capacity to handle media criticism.

BASIC EXPECTATIONS OF ALL BOARD MEMBERS

1. Be well versed in the park district's mission, services, policies, and programs.
2. Attend all board and committee meetings and functions.
3. Review the agenda and supporting materials before board and committee meetings.
4. Serve on special committees and offer to take on additional assignments.
5. Make education in the park and recreation fields a priority.
6. Follow all park commissioner policies.
7. Assist the board in carrying out its fiduciary duties.
8. Refrain from making special requests of the staff and from becoming involved in day-to-day operations.

TERM

February 20, 2011- April, 2013

MEETINGS

Scheduled meetings are held the first and third Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at the Park District Administrative Building, 390 South Avenue, Hampshire, IL

COMPENSATION

Park commissioners do not receive monetary compensation for their board service. However, the park district offers participation in recreation programs to all current board members and their families at cost. The board member or immediate family member pays the park district for any out-of-pocket expense in connection with attendance in the program or lesson.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Please submit the following application to:
Hampshire Township Park District
Application for Commissioner Appointment
390 South Avenue, PO Box 953
Hampshire, IL 60140

The closing date of this application is January 31, 2012
Qualified applicant interviews will be conducted February 6, 2012

QUESTIONNAIRE

Why do you want to serve on the park district board?

On what other organizational boards (local, civic, business, trade) have you served?

Do you have any political ties that might impact your board service?

What is your overall impression of the Hampshire Township Park District?

What issues do you want to see addressed by the board?

What skills would you like to acquire from board service?

What kinds of people do you like to work with?
