

PIKSCO Happenings

By Ches Garner

A brief update from the PIKSCO board

Debi Suggs has been appointed as a new director on the PIKSCO board to fill a recent vacancy until the annual meeting in July. She will also consider submitting her name to the Nominations Committee for election to a three-year term next year. Debi and husband Lindsey, who is a PIKSCO volunteer, are well positioned by residence to help keep watch over Garner Park.

The ownership of the PIKSCO domain/website has been successfully transferred from Alex Williams to PIKSCO. Greg Taylor, assisted by Erica Reed, has board IT responsibility to keep the website updated. PIKSCO continues to use GoDaddy as host for our website.

The cooperative effort between the PIKSCO board and Leann Sanders from the Parks and Recreation Committee continues toward a goal of achieving improved playground equipment for Pine Knoll Shores, with initial focus on Garner Park as a model since this is a gathering point for many popular town events. Project donations are needed from all town residents in order to achieve this important goal for our children and grandchildren. Please make checks payable to "PKS Parks Improvement" and deliver or mail them to town hall at 100 Municipal Circle, Pine Knoll Shores 28512, marked to Leann Sanders' attention, or call Leanne at 989-615-2725 to make arrangements to have your check picked up.

PIKSCO contact. For questions, concerns, to express a willingness to volunteer or to provide feedback, contact Erica Reed at 247-4818, piksco@ec.rr.com, through the website at piksco.com or by mail at P.O. Box 366, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512. In addition, members may contact Ches Garner at 269-0327 or cgarner118@gmail.com.

Best wishes for the holiday season and a happy New Year.

Ken Jones

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Mayor Jones was elected in 2009, and is presently in his fourth term. He feels that an important trait for any leader is the ability to keep the big picture in mind. As he explained, what happens in Raleigh will affect Carteret County and what affects Carteret County will affect Pine Knoll Shores. It is necessary, therefore, to know and understand what is happening in the state capital in order to advocate for what is best for our town.

The mayor often speaks with and before the political leadership in Raleigh to advocate for Pine Knoll Shores. Most recently, he was influential in preventing the Sales and Use tax from being raised and in keeping municipal service tax districts as they are—both of which were beneficial for Pine Knoll Shores. The mayor's priority remains to provide "a lean, purposeful government that carries on the business of our town in a smart, economical and planned fashion for our well-deserving citizens."

When asked if there were something he would like to share that perhaps the town's people would be surprised to know, Mayor Jones smiled. His grandfather owned a Christmas tree farm. As a child he thought it a magical place and couldn't wait to own his own farm. He is the proud owner of Point North Farms, an 80-acre Christmas tree farm in Michigan.

A special thank you is extended to Jacquie Pipkin for this series on getting to know our commissioners as well as this final installment on our mayor—and thank you to our elected officials for taking the time to share a little bit about themselves with our readers.—The Editors



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