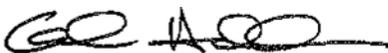


WATERLOO PARKS COMMISSION – MINUTES

April 5, 2023

1. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER. Parks Coordinator Haberkorn called the Parks Commission meeting to order at 5:00 pm in the Municipal Building Council Chambers. ROLL CALL: Voting members present: Setz, Weihert, & Kegler. Absent: Vieth and Crave. Ex-officio members present: Parks Coordinator Gabe Haberkorn. Absent: Public Works Director Chad Yerges, Friends of Firemen's Park President Jessica Pickel & WYSO Representative Otto Degler. Others present: None.
2. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: FEBRUARY 8, 2023. MOTION: Moved by Kegler, seconded by Weihert. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0
3. CITIZEN INPUT: NONE. Parks Coordinator Haberkorn did speak on being contacted by William Miller to purchase a Park Bench that is blank.
4. REPORTS/UPDATES:
 - a. Coordinator's Report: Haberkorn spoke on the Spring Concert not being very successful as we did not get the number of visitors as we had wanted. Haberkorn did talk about the auction possibly being a saving grace for the event. AC/Heat update and that Richter is at the Pavilion and Trailhead this week to complete this project. Haberkorn spoke on the new bar back in the Upper Pavilion. Haberkorn spoke on that the Gator is now in the Parks Department possession. Haberkorn also stated that the new table and chairs are already in the Pavilion. Haberkorn spoke on Carousel Works and their inspection of the Carousel. Haberkorn talked about the 40-page report and problems that the Carousel Works has shown Haberkorn and DPW Director Yerges. Haberkorn stated that the Parks Department will be closing the Carousel for the 2023 season. Carousel Works will look to come back in September to fix problems. Haberkorn spoke on the new scoreboards arriving sooner than scheduled. Haberkorn spoke on the Lower Pavilion renovation happening later in the Summer and Fall. Kegler asked what specific renovations will be done in the Lower Pavilion.
 - b. Parks Financial Report: January 2023 through February 2023. Haberkorn spoke on the numbers for 2023 and being in the red in January and then back in the black for February. Haberkorn stated the reasoning for this is from the first payment of tax levy and the two payments for donations on the scoreboards.
 - c. 2023 Capital Projects: Haberkorn spoke on the Projects for 2023. Haberkorn talked about the AC Update and that it will be complete. Haberkorn spoke on the finishing of 2023 projects by the Fall with all projects being completed in the spring. Weihert asked for a lighter color of green on the priority sheet. Jim Setz asked about a Pickleball Court going in and Haberkorn said that it would be with the Basketball Court renovation in 2024.
5. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. July 4th – Community Survey: Haberkorn handed out his rough draft questions. Weihert stated to possibly put in the survey examples of events and what would be considered a large event versus a small community event. Discussion. Haberkorn will bring final questions to the Parks Commission and flyers to be mailed out to City of Waterloo households.
 - b. Dog Park – Phase 1: Haberkorn spoke on the three quotes received for the Dog Park fencing. Haberkorn stated that the Parks Department would like to go with Heiar Fencing at the cost of \$33,895.00. Haberkorn talked about the donation campaign to pay for the Dog Park using Fund Equity in the present. Discussion. MOTION: Moved by Setz to approve Heiar Fencing for the building of the new Dog Park. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0.
 - c. CORP Update: Haberkorn made a mistake with the CORP plan. Fox Park was not printed on top of the layout page and since now has been replaced. This was an informational piece for the Parks Commission.
 - d. Storm Damage: Haberkorn stated the storm damage by the bathrooms. Lightning struck 3 trees and shrapnel from the trees put holes in the siding of the upper lawn mower shed. Haberkorn stated about Insurance payments and other items. Discussion.
 - e. Power Washing Park Areas: Haberkorn spoke on Clearview coming to Firemen's Park in May to power wash the Pavilion, Bingo Hall, Bathroom, Roundhouse, Bandstand, and sidewalks leading around those areas. Discussion
 - f. Electric Update: Haberkorn spoke on the "B" Diamond and Skalitzky Field lights have not been to code for several years. Haberkorn spoke on the urgency and needing to put this in front of Finance to possibly use contingency dollars. Discussion.
6. INFORMATION:
 - a. Easter Egg Hunt: April 8, 2023
 - b. Spring Clean: April 22, 2023
7. ANNOUNCEMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING.
 - a. Next Meeting: June 7, 2023, at 5:00 pm
8. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Setz to adjourn, seconded by Kegler. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0
Approximate time: 5:58 pm



Gabe Haberkorn
Park Coordinator