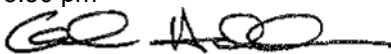


WATERLOO PARKS COMMISSION – MINUTES

October 6, 2021

1. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER. Parks Coordinator Haberkorn called the Parks Commission meeting to order at 5:03 pm in the Municipal Building Council Chambers. ROLL CALL: Voting members present: Setz, Kegler, & Weihert. Absent: Vieth & 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: AUGUST 4, 2021. MOTION: Moved by Kegler, seconded by Setz. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0
3. CITIZEN INPUT: None
4. REPORTS/UPDATES:
 - a. Coordinator's Report. Haberkorn spoke on final concert turnout and Wiener & Kraut Day turnout. Haberkorn spoke on capital projects and meeting of vendors for estimates. Haberkorn also spoke on capital projects and pushing them out due to lowering prices. Haberkorn spoke on the SCADA System being completed. The red doors were brought up on needing of replacement in the future. Haberkorn spoke on the 50/50 raffle through the Friends group. Haberkorn spoke on the grants and denial from the WIDNR and moving the money from the GWCHF to other projects.
 - b. Parks Financial Report August 2021 thru September 2021. Haberkorn spoke on the actual ending number of \$200,356.59 in September and that does include unfinished Capital Projects and the Grant from GWCHF.
 - c. 2021 Capital Projects: No Changes
5. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. 2022 Budget: Haberkorn discussed the Budget process up to Monday October 4, 2021. Haberkorn spoke on the process of fully funding a Parks Department in year 1 (2022) and then taking revenue from 2022 and putting it towards 2023 knowing that is the amount of money you have in fund equity. Haberkorn spoke that the Finance Committee liked the idea, but thought it was 1-2 years out. Setz asked if the Parks Department is being punished for having revenue. Haberkorn did speak that the Finance did raise the Parks tax levy. Kegler agreed with Setz on being punished for having a revenue. Kegler spoke on moving forward and being held back. Weihert spoke on the lethargic process. Kegler spoke on all things the Parks Department has taken on that isn't necessary a Parks thing, but we have taken on. Setz again spoke on the Parks Department being penalized for having a revenue stream. Haberkorn spoke on the averages over the last 6 years, not including 2020 due to Covid-19, is \$77,000 and what Finance is asking for the Parks Department to raise \$97,000 a year. Setz asked why the Parks Department fund is called "Special Revenue". Setz spoke on why the Parks Department would do more to make more, just to be punished for it and they can give the Parks Department less each year. Haberkorn spoke on the new prioritization list and updates. Discussion.
 - b. Capital Projects: Haberkorn spoke on the grant funds received from GWCHF and the possibility to move to use for new playground equipment and updating Firemen's Park and putting in a new playground at the WRT. Discussion. MOTION: Moved by Weihert to use the GWCHF funding to match playground equipment grant funding, seconded by Kegler. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0
 - c. Waterloo Regional Trailhead: Haberkorn spoke on rate changes for the Waterloo Regional Trailhead. Haberkorn spoke on keeping the day-to-day rates as status quo but adding a "Special Event" rate. Discussion. MOTION: Moved by Kegler to make a rate change to \$500 for special events at the Waterloo Regional Trailhead, seconded by Weihert. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0
6. INFORMATION:
 - a. Holiday of Lights: November 25, 2021
 - b. WinterFest: December 11 & 18, 2021
7. ANNOUNCEMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING.
 - a. Next Meeting: December 1, 2021, at 5:00 pm
8. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Weihert, seconded by Kegler. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0 Approximate time: 5:50 pm



Gabe Haberkorn
Park Coordinator