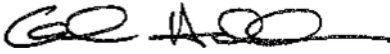


WATERLOO PARKS COMMISSION – MINUTES
OCTOBER 5, 2022

1. **ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER.** Parks Coordinator Haberkorn called the Parks Commission meeting to order at 5:02 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 & Public Works Director Chad Yerges. Absent: Friends of Firemen's Park President Jessica Pickel & WYSO Representative Otto Degler. Others present: Maureen Giese.
2. **MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: AUGUST 3, 2022.** Maureen Giese spoke on her letter submitted and why there was only mention of her letter she had submitted in the minutes. Park Coordinator Haberkorn stated that the minutes are only an overview of meetings and that a mention of her letter is all that is needed for the minutes and that her letter and submission are in the hard copy kept at City Hall. MOTION: Moved by Setz, seconded by Kegler. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0
3. **CITIZEN INPUT:** None
4. **REPORTS/UPDATES:**
 - a. **Coordinator's Report:** Haberkorn spoke on Wiener and Kraut Day. Numbers were as expected and compared almost to 2021 numbers. Haberkorn spoke on moving the last band indoors and that might have affected the numbers a little bit. Haberkorn spoke on the finished projects in the outdoor bathrooms. New lighting and venting installed, and flooring will be finished the following week. Haberkorn spoke on the AC/Heat project with over 15 companies contacted. Haberkorn spoke on the three quotes received back and that the winning bid was from Richter. Haberkorn talked about the upcoming projects that will need to be moved out with the fallout of raising prices and inflation. Haberkorn talked about the Carousel group coming out in November to look over the Carousel and to properly winterize it.
 - b. **Parks Financial Report: July 2022 through October 2022.** Haberkorn spoke on the fund balance and still having strong numbers for 2022. Haberkorn spoke on Computer Aid that now has been reconciled in August and that the fund equity as of August was at \$142,176.37. With inflation and rising costs, the Parks Department is still having stronger numbers than previous years. Haberkorn spoke that with 3 months to go that the Parks Department is already at 103% of expected revenue for 2022.
 - c. **2022 Capital Projects:** Haberkorn spoke on the prioritization list and finished projects 2022. Kitchen Renovation and Lower Parking Lot have been moved due to higher cost on other projects and trying to stay within the total budget numbers for 2022.
5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Parks Budget 2023:** Haberkorn spoke on the Park Budget for 2023 was balanced and after the initial Finance Committee meeting that the Parks Budget showed a -\$17,000 shortfall. Haberkorn discussed dropping the Dog Park Capital Project of \$20,000. This would bring the Parks Budget to an almost \$3,000 surplus for 2023.
6. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Camping 2023 and Beyond:** Haberkorn spoke on the construction project for the Waterloo Utilities and that the construction staging area will be at the Camping area. This will take away Camping in 2023 and up to 2026. Discussion. MOTION: None
 - b. **Dog Park 2023 and Beyond:** Haberkorn spoke on the construction project for the Waterloo Utilities and the the construction would be in an area of the Dog Park. Haberkorn had stated that this would help in the budget process and help alleviate the need to do a Dog Park fencing project in 2023. Haberkorn spoke on going forward with the Dog Park and moving it in 2024 to Youker Park (Old Mill Pond). Haberkorn talked about possibly going out for donations for a new Dog Park as an option as well. Discussion. MOTION: None
 - c. **Cable TV:** Haberkorn spoke on the possible relocation of Cable TV station into the Lower Pavilion at Firemen's Park. Haberkorn talked about the capabilities of protecting equipment during events or building a room to take away from rental space. Discussion. MOTION: None
7. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **Fox Park Signage:** Haberkorn spoke on the possible cost and placement of a plaque at the Fox Park location. Maureen Giese spoke on her hard work and submitting the requested material from Commissioner Weihert. Giese spoke on the Island Church history and function at the Karl Junginger Library. Giese suggested forming a committee for the plaque and Haberkorn turned down that idea. Haberkorn suggested that the cast plaque be the same style as the rest of the plaques that have been made at area parks. Haberkorn stated that if Maureen could agree with the placement and paying for the cost through donations, the Parks Department would agree to the cast plaque. Yerges spoke that the boulder has already been placed. Setz asked for what wording Maureen would like on the signage at Fox Park. Haberkorn asked Maureen to email him the wording she would like on the signage and then he would go out for quotes. Discussion. MOTION: None

8. INFORMATION:
 - a. WinterFest and Holiday Parade December 3, 2022
9. ANNOUNCEMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING.
 - a. Next Meeting: December 7, 2022, at 5:00 pm
10. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Setz, seconded by Weihert. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried 3-0 Approximate time: 5:43 pm



Gabe Haberkorn
Park Coordinator