

WATERLOO PARKS COMMISSION – MINUTES
February 13, 2019

1. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER. Parks Commission Chair Stinnett called the Parks Commission meeting to order at 5:00 pm in the Municipal Building Council Chambers. ROLL CALL: Voting members present: Stinnett, Kegler, Quimby, Veith. Absent: Strobel. Ex-officio members present: Parks Coordinator Gabe Haberkorn, WRT Representative Charles Crave. Absent: Public Works Director Chad Yerges, WYSO Representative Katy Powers. Others present: Maureen Giese, Beth Kreger & Diane Graff of the Courier.
2. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: NOVEMBER 14, 2018. MOTION: Moved by Quimby, seconded by Kegler to approve the meeting minutes as presented. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried, Veith Abstained.
3. CITIZEN INPUT. Maureen Giese handed out a letter to Parks Commission Chair Stinnett and Parks Coordinator Haberkorn and read the letter to the group. M. Giese thanked the Commission for appointing the new Parks Commission member Veith. M. Giese then spoke about her letter and wanted on record her disgust on the naming of Fox Park as tentative and certain comments made by Parks Commission members. M. Giese wanted to review of 720 W. Madison Street naming "Fox Park". M. Giese also wanted to review of 720 W. Madison Street as active/passive park space, etc by the City Council. M. Giese also wanted a review of school and citizen vote on naming the area. M. Giese talked about Craig Wilson and how he spoke to explain who Butch Fox was and his relation to the area. M. Giese asked about information pertaining to the Waterloo School District and how much was raised for the area. Park Coordinator Haberkorn stated that it was cancelled due to rain. M. Giese then stated "ever hear of fundraising" and offered her services to put a plaque on a large boulder in the area to have the correct information in naming of the park. M. Giese was thanked by Park Commission Chair Stinnett for her input.
4. REPORTS/UPDATES
 - a. Coordinator's Report. Haberkorn discussed the Holiday of Lights with 7 displays and 450 votes cast. Winners of the event were: 1st place – American Legion Auxiliary, 2nd place – Alaskan Ice & 3rd place – WYSO. Haberkorn talked briefly on the Easter Egg Hunt set for April 20, 2019 and the Spring Clean on April 27, 2019 and that flyers will be out next week. Dog Park fencing will be replaced with used 10 foot fencing to replace weakened, short areas. Al Kegler asked if the fencing could be used to look like the other fencing so it looks all the same. He also spoke on moving Dog Park to 333 Portland Road area. Haberkorn spoke on Disc Golf moving forward this spring in replacing new boxes and moving to 18 holes. Haberkorn stated that the Sand Volleyball Court will be started this spring with the removal of the "old slider shack" that is in it's place now. Haberkorn talked about the spring inspection of the Carousel. Haberkorn then introduced Maureen Giese to discuss the donation board at the Carousel. M. Giese met with the 3 gentlemen who take care of the Carousel. The group came to the conclusion that all donors will be placed on the kiosk. Names will be put in columns under different listings. M. Giese stated that the lists will be done in the spring 2019. Haberkorn stated the restoration of the iron Lions Head Fountain is on going with no pricing from the restoration company.
 - b. Parks Financial Report November 2018 through January 2019. deficit is around \$38,692 with most of the difference coming from maintenance (65%) and over budget on entertainment. Concessions number is a little high and cleaning contract is high as it was done after budgets were out. Total deficit is \$84,000 and Haberkorn asked the commission to take ideas as the rectify the debt. Discussion. Haberkorn discussed raising booking rates as the Pavilion is booking out until 2020 at this time. City Clerk Mo Hanson stated that the business model is not sustainable and that we have to find a way to make it work. Commission member Crave suggested considering raising rates. Haberkorn discussed 2019 progress reports and stated baseball and cyclocross is not on the schedule. Quimby asked if cyclocross pays for park use and Coordinator Haberkorn stated that they do and fix the grounds as well.
 - c. 2019 Capital Projects. Haberkorn discussed the LED lighting project. Haberkorn also stated that the sewer project is moving forward this spring.
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
 - a. 2019 Budget Amendment Submittal. Haberkorn spoke on the removal of money from Cell Tower Rental and discussed the \$37,000 bid amount reflection. Discussion. MOTION: by Quimby, seconded by Kegler to send to City Council for Budget Amendment. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried
 - b. One Day Provision for Snowmobile Use. Haberkorn discussed the City Statute for Park Commission permission for any temporary trail. Discussion. MOTION: by Kegler, seconded by Quimby for one day permission for temporary trail.
 - c. Community Garden. Haberkorn spoke about emails being distributed. Quimby discussed Valerie Deegan and emails about interest. Kegler spoke about ground soil and monitoring of the area being kept up. Discussion. MOTION: Tabled for lack of attendance.

- d. Pavilion Projector. Haberkorn spoke on the need for a Pavilion Projector as requests have been coming in from Renters for use. Hanson spoke on there being 2 different projectors in different departments and sharing of those projectors. Discussion. MOTION: by Quimby, seconded by Kegler to look at the Mauneshia Business Center first to see if it is compatible and then purchase. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried

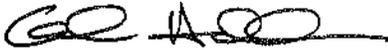
6. INFORMATION.

- a. Baseball Field Tile Replacement and Naming Rights. Haberkorn spoke on the date of replacement moved to fall of 2019 due to flooding still in Firemen's Park. Baseball Field will still be named Skalitzky Field.
- b. Farmers Market in Waterloo. Haberkorn briefly stated that there will be a survey out to the public for feasibility of a Farmers Market in Waterloo.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING.

- a. Next Meeting: May 8, 2019 at 5:00 pm

8. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Adjourned by consensus. Approximate time: 6:14 pm



Gabe Haberkorn
Park Coordinator