

WATERLOO PARKS COMMISSION – MINUTES
August 8, 2018

1. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER. Parks Commission Chair Stinnett called the Parks Commission meeting to order at 5:01 pm in the Municipal Building Council Chambers. ROLL CALL: Voting members present: Stinnett, Kegler, Strobel. Absent: Kopplin, Quimby. Ex-officio members present: Parks Coordinator Gabe Haberkorn, Public Works Director Chad Yerges, WYSO Representative Katy Powers & WRT Representative Charley Crave. Absent: None. Others present: Maureen Giese & Diane Graff of the Courier.
2. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: MAY 9, 2018. MOTION: Moved by Kegler, seconded by Strobel to approve the meeting minutes as presented. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
3. CITIZEN INPUT. Maureen Giese spoke about the May 9th meeting and the Veterans Park Memorial cost of \$15,000 where she thought it was \$25,000. Park Coordinator Haberkorn did check that it was \$15,000. Katy Powers spoke on behalf of the WYSO to thank the Park and Coordinator Haberkorn about the long hours and what the park has done for them. Haberkorn then read a letter from citizen Terry Wermuth. The letter spoke about thanking the Park Coordinator for the help they received. It also stated problems of the Bingo Hall with cleanliness and plumbing issues. Haberkorn spoke on the issues in the letter. Maureen Giese spoke on checking facilities after rentals.
4. REPORTS/UPDATES
 - a. Coordinator's Report. Haberkorn discussed concert nights are down due to weather and mosquitos. Also discussed the next 2 concerts. July 4th was ahead this year by approximate \$2,000. Less money was made, but less money was spent. More Donation money was brought in this year for July 4th. The Firemen's Park bandstand was giving a facelift this summer with the help of Cornerstone Church. Movie and Music night took place with 10 more families attending over last years numbers. The retaining wall has been ordered and hoping with weather it will be completed by W&K Day. Disc Golf on hold waiting on Trek. Sand Volleyball Court electrical is going to be removed so we can move forward with the project after the retaining wall is done. The baseball field will have a new name to it as Skalitzky Field as a large donation will be made in the form of retiling the entire baseball field. Approximate cost will be \$35,000. Sewer Replacement will take place, but will be talked about later in meeting. Haberkorn discussed the possibility of a cell tower in Firemen's Park with the possibility of a rental cost coming in each month for this project at \$7500. Maureen Giese asked about the naming rights for Firemen's Park baseball diamond was all donated by Skalitzky's. Scoreboards are all done with the new receivers in place. Pavilion bandstand is not done, but the roundhouse electrical is completed. The mason wall front is complete with lighting. Carousel donation kiosk is in discussions with the group in finding a time frame to meet. A horse was missing a donation tag and that has now been replaced. Next donation campaign will be the Lion Head drinking fountain to be put into the Memorial Garden. Maureen Giese asked for things to be done and planned now for next year. Haberkorn stated that some of the events such as Fireworks are already booked for next year, but discussed moving the Horse Pull to W&K Day is just a better move for all. Giese then asked if all bands booked for July 4th were worth the amount paid. Haberkorn stated that there was about 200 people attending the band at night. Maureen Giese stated that she did not like the name of the band "Granny Shot", but did not understand that it was a Basketball term for an underhand shot.
 - b. Parks Financial Report December through July. 98% of events schedule to the average. Budget is on track at 50% with numbers still low, but \$12,000 still coming in from tax levy. Deficit is around \$23,000 with most of the difference coming from maintenance. Concessions number is a little high and cleaning contract is high as it was done after budgets were out.
 - c. 2018 Capital Projects. Noted.
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
 - a. 720 West Madison Street Phase 4, Naming Rights. Haberkorn spoke on the 20 names from both School and citizen input. Maureen spoke on the history of the area. Debate was taken on whether to vote now on a name or send to public for vote. Discussion. Motion was made to send out for public vote on 3 choices: Pirates Landing, Maunsha Cannery Park and Fox Park. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried
 - b. 2019 Budget Submittal. Haberkorn discussed the new submittal requesting \$110,000 in tax levy. Taking donations out of the budget. Discussion. MOTION: Moved by Kegler second by Strobel to move forward with budget submittal to Finance. VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried
6. INFORMATION.
 - a. Sewer Replacement in Firemen's Park. Haberkorn spoke on the cost of the sewer as is with possible replacement cost of the sewer. Discussion.
 - b. Baseball Field Tile Replacement and Naming Rights. Haberkorn spoke again about the new naming rights to the baseball field from Skalitzky Sod.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND NEXT MEETING.

a. Next Meeting: November 14th, 2018 at 5:00 pm

8. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Adjourned by consensus. Approximate time: 6:23 pm



Gabe Haberkorn
Park Coordinator