



Waterloo Citizens for a Pool

Wednesday, 11.06.2019, Monroe County Annex, 6:30pm – General Assembly Meeting

Attendees

Jason Breithaupt
Dawn Rubemeyer
Kim Ahne
Lyn Falk-Ahne
Amy Grandcolas
Jim Hewitt
Jeri Ormesher
Jim Ormesher

Meeting Minutes

Officer/Committee Reports

1. Kim Ahne called the meeting to order. Dawn Rubemeyer requested a correction to the October Meeting Minutes to reflect that Amy is working on the online petition and not herself. Jason Breithaupt made a motion to approve the October Meeting minutes with that change. Dawn seconded that motion.
2. President – See Old and New Business.
3. Vice President – Dawn researched the real estate transaction for the lot at Hamacher and Rogers and found that an LLC registered as a contractor/developer out of Smithton made the purchase.
4. Treasurer – Jason is continuing to clear up our state filing issues, and we have added a reminder to the group calendar that these forms have to be filed before May each year. No major income or expenses to report, we still have an approximate balance over \$ 20,000. Jason suggested we do a social media post to remind our supporters of Amazon Smile before Thanksgiving.
5. Secretary – Amy has booked the Annex for meetings through the end of year and suggested we push our meeting schedule for January back a week due to the New Year holiday. Those changes were approved.
6. Fundraising – See new business.

Old Business

1. Business Plan – we are continuing with the latest revision and timeline outlined in our strategic plan.
2. Petition – We are still looking to get 500 signatures by the end of the year. This petition will be used when presenting to local government taxing bodies. We are currently over 420 signatures.
 - a. Online Option – we have an online version ready to go. We'll make a social media push with that after the feasibility study.
3. Feasibility Study – The survey is live online and has been put on the website, Instagram, and Facebook as well. The Waterloo Republic Times will also have a piece on the survey in this week's newspaper. The city's general survey from a few years ago that was mailed out had 640 participants.
 - a. Amy will also email out a reminder to the WCP members and supporters in the next week.
4. Yard Sign Awareness Campaign – Lyn and Amy have determined where we can get the best price to allow for us to order either 250 in a one color design or 200 in a two color design and still fall within our donated

budget. We still need to have a design done to work within either one or two color. Lyn will reach out to Gary and Angela Most to see if they can assist with that.

5. City Council and Park Board Meetings – nothing of note at the last city council meetings. At the October Park Board meeting they discussed that the Illinois Department of Natural Resources will need to evaluate the site at Zimmer Park for the possible splash pad. Overall the Osland Grant had 143 applicants for over double what the allotted budget was, the short list will be announced in December. The Park Board also signed up for a service to continue assisting in applying for grants. Also, the city would like to pay for a first responders statue to place in Zimmer Park, but the Park Board wants to think about it. Michael Nolte also proposed they create a 5 year plan for the Park Board.

a. Upcoming City Meeting Schedule :

1. Wednesday November 13th (Park Board) – Kim and/or Amy
2. Monday November 18th – Jason
3. Monday December 2nd – Kim and/or Lyn
4. Wednesday November 11th (Park Board) – Kim and/or Amy
5. Monday December 16th - Dawn

New Business

1. Kim and Lyn attended the Coffee & Conversation with State Senator Paul Schimpf and Mayor Tom Smith on Saturday November 2nd. Sen Schimpf remembered Kim and Lyn right away and asked how the efforts for a community pool were going. Tom came over to talk to them right away when he saw they were in conversation with Sen Schimpf. Tom thinks there will be some changes on the Park Board in the next election in 2021 and made comments that the city does have the money to contribute to the splash pad and would also have money to contribute to a pool. Kim made sure he was aware that a splash pad will incur expenses every year without the possibility of any income. Tom also mentioned that he and others were under the impression that WCP has grand aspirations to build an over the top water park, such as Hurrican Harbor. Kim and Lyn corrected those assumptions, by asking Tom where he takes his grandchildren to go swimming and he replied with The Pavillion at Jefferson Barracks, something along the lines of the WCP vision.
2. Lyn will be submitting the paperwork to the city for approval of our St. Paddy's Day 5K on March 14th, 2020. We are shooting to start publizing by December 14th.

Open Comments

1. No open comments.

Action Items

1. Petition – draft online option for board to review – Amy
2. Social Media Holiday Post for Amazon Smile – Amy
3. Email supporters for Feasibility Study – Amy
4. Get a one and/or two color Yard Sign Design – Kim
5. Submit 5K approval paperwork to the city – Lyn

Next Meeting Agenda Items

1. SIUE Feasibility Study Presentation to Park Board
2. Discuss Petition Social Media Campaign
3. Yard Sign Campaign Vote
4. Schedule Upcoming City Meeting

