

Waterloo Citizens for a Pool

Wednesday, 11.03.2021, Morrison-Talbott Library, 7:00pm – General Assembly Meeting

Attendees

Amy Grandcolas, President
Dawn Rubemeyer, Vice-President
Jim Hewitt, Board Member
Eric Wegener
Celeste Breitwiser, Treasurer
Gina Pfund
Mary Gardner, Board Member
Eric Reinhard (via Zoom), Secretary
Scott Davis (via Zoom), Board Member

Meeting Minutes

Officer/Committee Reports

1. Amy Grandcolas called the meeting to order. Gina Pfund made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes, Dawn Rubemeyer seconded the motion. The motion was carried without objection.
2. President – Amy Grandcolas reminded the membership of the upcoming Town Hall Meeting scheduled for 7:00 November 9, 2021 at the Waterloo High School and encouraged all to attend.
3. Vice President – Dawn reported that Amy Grandcolas helped out with the Halloween Trunk or Treat at the YMCA. The team made up over 300 Halloween Treat packs that included information on the upcoming Town Hall Meeting. There was also information about WCP and the pool project and there was positive feedback from the public. On Halloween on the square, there were 420-450 visitors that came through and there was, likewise, positive feedback.
4. Treasurer – Celeste Breitwiser presented the treasurer's report. Copies of which were distributed to the attendees. Celeste indicated that she is preparing a budget for the 2022 fiscal year and will present the proposed budget to the Board for approval.
5. Secretary – The secretary had nothing to report.
6. Committees – There were no committee reports. Amy Grandcolas led a discussion around delegation of work, particularly with respect to the Capital Campaign, and general fundraising efforts.

Old Business

1. Amy Grandcolas provided a recap of the October 13 Park Board Meeting – Amy attended the October Park District meeting and made a formal presentation to the Park Board. There were questions from the Board concerning estimated costs and construction concerns in relation to the Splash Pad and Eric Wegener from Westport Pools was able to provide supplemental information to the Park Board. Amy reminded the Park Board of the scheduled Town Hall Meeting on November 9 and invited all to attend.
2. Amy reported that she met with Alderman Kyle Buettner on October 14 and provided him with a copy of the project packet. He was impressed with the progress that has been made and invited Amy to the City Council meeting. Amy and Dawn did attend the City Council meeting. Although not on the City Council agenda, Amy provided the alderpersons with the project packet and invited all to attend the Town Hall Meeting.
3. Amy next took the opportunity to review the materials that she would be presenting at the Town Hall Meeting and solicited feedback from the attendees.

4. Amy reported to the membership that she is working to schedule a meeting with herself and Eric Reinhard with Edie Koch from the Monroe County IL Economic Development Corp to discuss grant funding opportunities and strategies.
5. Continued Steps – Amy led a discussion concerning the Capital Campaign and the following items were addressed:
 - a. Dawn reported that she is working with Celeste and Amy to gather the final information necessary to have the investment account opened at Edward Jones.
 - b. Amy reported that the Capital Campaign is scheduled to be formally rolled-out at the Town Hall Meeting and led a discussion with the attendees about scheduling meetings and presentations with local community leaders and organizations. Amy asked the attendees to provide introductions or contacts where possible to facilitate such meetings

New Business

1. Next Steps for a 2022 Ballot Initiative
 - a. Capital Campaign – The Capital Campaign will launch at the November Town Hall meeting, so getting any community organization leaders and local business owners/leaders to attend is very important.
 - b. Grant Options – Amy and Eric will continue to research possible grant options.

Open Comments

Amy thanked the attendees.

Action Items

1. Town Hall Meeting – Amy
2. Investment Account Set Up – Dawn & Celeste
3. Grant Research - Eric

Upcoming Meetings

Park District Board, December 8th, 7:00 pm, City Hall, Upstairs Meeting Room

General Assembly – December 1, 2021, 7:00 pm, Morrison-Talbott Library, Large Meeting Room

Next Meeting Agenda Items

1. November Town Hall – Feedback and Outcomes
2. Capital Campaign Launch- Status
3. Grant Options