

# Waterloo Citizens for a Pool

7:00 PM Wednesday, October 5, 2022, Morrison Talbott Library

## Attendees

Amy Grandcolas, President  
Celeste Breitwiser, Treasurer  
Eric Reinhard, Secretary  
Gina Pfund  
Marge Francois

Stan Darter  
Dawn Rubemeyer, Vice President  
Mary Gardner  
Lea Brinson

## Meeting Minutes

### Officer/Committee Reports

1. Amy Grandcolas called the meeting to order. Gina made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes, Dawn seconded the motion. The motion was carried without objection.
2. President – Amy indicated to the Board that she did not have a specific report to make and that all of her updates and comments would be addressed later in the meeting in the Committee reports or in old/new business.
3. Vice President – The Vice President had nothing to report.
4. Treasurer – Celeste reported that WCP has received the William Zimmer Foundation check of \$20,000 which has been split deposited between the capital campaign account and the operating account.
5. Secretary – The secretary had nothing to report.
6. Committees –
  - a. Community Outreach and Fundraising. Amy reported that limited supplies of T-shirts and yard signs remain available and that they will be available at Pumpkinfest.
    - i. Amy led a discussion with the membership about the upcoming Trunk or Treat opportunities. After discussing the matter, it was decided that due to Pumpkinfest being already in scheduled for October and without there being an immediate call-to-action for the citizens that the organization will not have a booth at trunk or treat.
    - ii. Next Papa Vito's night. Dawn reported that due to labor shortages at Papa Vito's- that we are unable to get an outreach event scheduled with them.
  - b. Capital Funding Campaign- Lea led a discussion among the attendees concerning the progress with the William Zimmer Foundation and ongoing discussions concerning use of their funds. It was discussed that they are eager to distribute their remaining assets so they can wind up their activities, but that they are only permitted to distribute funds to a 501(c)(3) organization, and not to a governmental organization.

### Old Business

1. A recap of the September Park Board meeting was provided. As discussed at the last WCP General Assembly, there is an open position on the Park District Board. The Park District Board discussed filling the empty seat by vote, but no candidates received the necessary 3 votes, so the empty seat remains unfilled. It was also reported that the Park District had a special meeting on the Splash Pad project. Three bids were received for the project. The original estimated cost was \$810,000 but the submitted bids came in at \$1.8M. The Park District Board then discussed alternative funding opportunities.

2. Amy reported that the Advisory Committee is planning a follow-up meeting, hopefully for October 27, schedules permitting.
3. Amy reported that she presented the WCP plan to the City Council at the utility meeting. The city Alderpersons in attendance were both impressed and receptive to further exploring a collaborative strategy to facilitate the process with the Park District for construction of a pool. Amy also reported that she received good feedback after the meeting.
4. Amy reported to the Assembly that the deadline for ballot initiatives for April will be in early January 2023.

## New Business

1. The Pumpkinfest outreach even was discussed and Amy provided an overview of the planned activities. Amy also coordinated volunteer timeslots.
2. Celeste reported that she is in process identifying an accounting firm to assist with financials and reporting.

## Open Comments

- Celeste provided an update for the St. Patrick's Day 5K, and it was agreed that the 5K needs to be added to the monthly meeting agendas for discussion.
- It was suggested to the attendees that WCP enter a float in the Thanksgiving Glow Parade. After discussion, a decision was not made but participation in the parade was generally favored.

## Action Items

1. Continue to Research bond measures and funding options
2. Continue to explore consensus building strategies with the Park District and the Advisory Committee
3. Planning and finalizing Pumpkinfest booth arrangements.

## Upcoming Meetings

Park District Board October 12, 7:00 pm, City Hall, Upstairs Meeting Room

General Assembly November 2, 2022, 7:00 pm, Morrison Talbott Library

## Next Meeting Agenda Items

1. Report on progress for the Advisory Committee and progress towards filling the Park District Board vacancy.