

# Waterloo Citizens for a Pool

7:00 PM Wednesday, September 7, 2022, Morrison Talbott Library

## Attendees

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

Megan Ingram  
Scott Davis, via Zoom  
Eric Wegener, via Zoom

## Meeting Minutes

### Officer/Committee Reports

1. Amy Grandcolas called the meeting to order. Celeste made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes, Amy 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 indicated the bank statements had not been received so she had nothing to report.
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.
    - i. Amy also reported that the Homecoming booth was successful. It made \$450 and covered the cost of purchasing the splash tower. It was a good event for outreach and exposure for the organization, but there was not a lot of great opportunity for 1:1 substantive conversation.
    - ii. Another Papa Vito's Pizza outreach event is in planning, but due to scheduling constraints it is unknown when it may be scheduled. Amy indicated she will circle-back with Dawn.
  - b. Capital Funding Campaign.
    - i. Amy reported that a presentation was made to the Zimmer Foundation. They were impressed with the work and progress on the project. The Zimmer Foundation remains supportive of the project. Amy indicated that in accordance with their governing documents they are required to distribute 5% of their assets annually and they committed to allocate funds to the organization this year.

### Old Business

1. A recap of the August Park Board meeting was provided. The Park Districted initially received no bids for the Splash Pad construction and are reopening the bid process. There were no comments made at the meeting relating to the pool. It was also indicated that there is a vacancy on the Park Board and that it is anticipated the Board will vote to fill the vacancy at the September meeting. Scott Davis has expressed interest in serving on the Park Board and Amy indicated that Lance West was at the August meeting and it is anticipated that he may also be interested in serving.

2. Amy reported that the Advisory Committee had its first meeting. Those attending included George Obernagel, Ryan Osterhage, Eric Wegener, Stan Darter, Lea Brinson, Amy Grandcolas, Kris Fulford, and Vickie Koerber. At the meeting, Amy presented the pool plan to the advisory committee and strategies were discussed towards a funding plan. The committee discussed a plan that may include the City of Waterloo funding the shortfall on operating costs. It was suggested to get the pool project on the agenda for the City Council utility meeting to gauge their openness to agreement on the operating costs.
3. With respect to the Capital Campaign, keeping in mind the various moving parts, it was discussed that a continued and targeted approach to particular community groups will continue to be the focus.

## New Business

1. Amy led a discussion among the attendees about the upcoming Waterloo Pumpkinfest which is scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup>. Ideas were suggested for a booth to continue community outreach efforts. Pumpkin/Fall themes were discussed. It was agreed that WCP would move forward to have a booth.

## Open Comments

- Celeste Reported that registration for the St. Patrick's Day 5K will open in late January.
- Celeste also advised the board that due to the progress in the capital campaign and complexities of annual tax and compliance reporting that she recommends WCP hire an accountant to maintain the books and streamline tax reporting and coordinate audits. A discussion was held and the Board agreed this is a good idea and they will explore persons or firms who may be able to provide such services.

## 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 September 14, 7:00 pm, City Hall, Upstairs Meeting Room

General Assembly October 5, 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.