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Waterloo Citizens for a Pool

Thursday, 1.02.2020, Monroe County Annex, 6:30pm – General Assembly Meeting  
**Attendees**

Kim Ahne

Dawn Rubemeyer

Amy Grandcolas

Lyn Falk-Ahne

Jim Hewitt

**Meeting Minutes**

## Officer/Committee Reports

1. Kim Ahne called the meeting to order. Lyn Falk-Ahne made a motion to approve the December Meeting minutes. Dawn Rubemeyer seconded that motion.
2. President – See Old and New Business.
3. Vice President – Dawn is waiting to hear back from Pat Kelly on Mr. Rickert’s contact information.
4. Treasurer – Nothing to report.
5. Secretary – Amy Grandcolas has booked the Annex for meetings in January and February. For the March meetings, we will need a different location. Lyn suggested Mr. BBQ at Mystic Oak Golf Course.
6. Fundraising – Lyn is still waiting for approval from the city for the St. Paddy’s Day 5K, we should be on the agenda at the January 6th meeting.

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 physical signatures and 43 on ipetitions.com. We should do another social media post for the petition.
3. Feasibility Study – we now have a summary and full survey results from Dr. Hair, as well as other study examples. However no demographics or final analysis/reccomendation were provided. From here, we need to plan a public meeting to review the results, shooting for February 19th at 7:00 pm.
   1. A formal meeting invitation will need to be sent to the Waterloo Park District members, The Waterloo City Council and Alderman, the Waterloo Republic Times, and community organizations.
   2. Kim will check if anyone from the SIUE SBDC is available to attend to handle any questions or concerns on the execution of the survey.
   3. The WCP board will also prepare a presentation for the public meeting, with the following outline.
      1. Introduction – Basic Concepts and Background Information
      2. Data – Survey Results and Feasibility Study
      3. Execution – Comparable Communities
         1. Marshall, IL
4. Yard Sign Awareness Campaign – We are ready to order either 200 two color signs or 250 one color signs. Gary Most joined us via speakerphone to workshop design ideas for either a one color or two color layout. He will work on this and hopefully have a design for us to approve in the next two weeks.
5. City Council and Park Board Meetings – nothing of note at the last city council meetings. At the December Park Board Michael Nolte discussed other communities with Splash Pads that he had reached out to about operational costs. Millstadt did not have that information since it was tied into their pool. Dupo did not have that information because the city donated the water costs. Dupo also hired two teenagers to supervise their splash pad in case of sanitation issues while open, but the city also covered their wages. Dupo has a fence around their splash pad to avoid contamination from animals. Shelby mentioned that he does not see why supervision is needed at a splash pad and referenced again that O’Fallon does not have a fence, supervision, or standing water. The boards proposal for the grant included a fence. No update on the OSLAD Grant. Kevin and Michael will be going to a National Parks & Recreation Convention in Chicago in January.
   1. Upcoming City Meeting Scehdule :
      * 1. Monday January 6th – Dawn and Kim
        2. Wednesday January 8th (Park Board) – Kim and Dawn
        3. Monday January 20th - Amy

## New Business

1. St. Paddy’s Day 5K – We should know Monday night if the city has approved our event with the downtown route from previous years. Kim will attend that city council meeting in case there are any questions. The board reviewed the registration flyer and donation letter to be sent out next week. Lyn suggested updates to the donation letter. Amy will reach out to Hopskeller to confirm partnership prior to setting up the Facebook Event. Dawn will head up the sponsorship duties this year.

## Open Comments

1. Kim nominated Jim Hewitt to fill the open WCP Board position. Lyn seconded that motion. The attending board members voted to approve Jim Hewitt as a board member.

**Action Items**

1. Petition – post online petition reminder on social media – Amy
2. Follow up with Gary on Yard Sign Layout - Lyn
3. Schedule Upcoming Meeting Spaces – Amy
4. Reach out to Joanne with SIUE SBDC about Feb 19th Meeting – Kim
5. St. Paddy’s Day 5K Checklist – Amy, Lyn, & Dawn

**Upcoming Meetings**

Wednesday, January 15th 7:15 pm – Monroe County Annex – Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 22nd 7:15 pm – Mr. BBQ @ Mystic Oak – Board Planning Meeting

Wednesday, February 5th 6:30 pm – Monroe County Annex – General Assembly

Wednesday, February 19th 7:00 pm – Monroe County Annex – Public Survey Results Review

**Next Meeting Agenda Items**

1. SIUE Feasibility Study Presentation for Public Meeting
2. Formal Invitations for Public Meeting
3. Yard Sign Layout and Order Approval
4. 5K 2020 Preparation