

## **Waterloo Park District – Meeting Minutes October 08, 2025**

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Waterloo City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, 100 W. Fourth Street, Waterloo, Illinois, by President Gardner.

**Roll call:** President Gardner, Vice-President Haentzler, Commissioner Perotti, and Commissioner Pfund were physically present. Commissioner Davis provided prior notification that he would be unable to attend. Treasurer Bradley, Superintendent Prater, Secretary-Attorney Schimpf, Alderman Trantham (representing the City of Waterloo), and Waterloo Park District Foundation NFP Director Lisa Pecha were also present.

**Meeting minutes and agenda:** The agenda was posted at both 318 N. Library Street and 100 W. Fourth Street, Waterloo, Illinois in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. The agenda was approved by voice vote on a motion by Haentzler seconded by Perotti. The Board approved the minutes of the September 10th, 2025, regular meeting by unanimous consent.

**President's report:** President Gardner reported that she approved Secretary-Attorney Schimpf's travel request to attend the Illinois Association of Park Districts' Legal Symposium in November. President Gardner also stated that she and Secretary-Attorney Schimpf had met with Rain Drop Products representatives via a conference call on October 1, 2025.

**Guests:** See the attached list. No guests desired to speak.

### **Correspondence:**

- Secretary-Attorney Schimpf reported that the Board had received a FOIA request from Mr. Tony Grasso. Secretary-Attorney Schimpf spoke with Mr. Grasso who agreed to delaying the record search until after Secretary-Attorney Schimpf returns from travel on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer's report:** Prior to the meeting, Treasurer Bradley distributed financial documents to the Board via email. In addition to the financial documents, Treasurer Bradley reported that she had received a portion of the tax levy totaling \$192,410.00. By unanimous consent, the Board approved Treasurer Bradley's request to roll our expiring \$227,593.56 CD into a new, 60-month CD. Upon a motion by Pfund, seconded by Haentzler, the Board approved the Treasurer's report in a voice vote.

**Submission & approval of bills:** In addition to the bills distributed electronically prior to the meeting, Treasurer Bradley reported invoices from J&J Septic for \$100.00 and Reliable Sanitation for \$258.55. A motion by Pfund, seconded by Perotti, passed by voice vote to pay all bills.

**Superintendent's report:**

- Our contractor sprayed the Lakeview Dog Park for the final time this year on September 29th.
- Superintendent Prater has repaired a leaking faucet at the Sewing Pavilion in Lakeview Park.
- Winterization of the Waterloo Community Splash Pad is scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Superintendent Prater has ordered five trees for planting in the vicinity of the Waterloo Community Splash Pad. The Whiteside DAR Chapter will reimburse us for cost of one of the trees.
- Repairs are completed on the spiral playground slide at Zimmer Park.
- The Monroe County Rotary Club will re-mulch the Turtle Creek Trail in the spring.

**Attorney report:**

- Secretary-Attorney Schimpf is working with the archives section of the Secretary of State's office to develop a record disposal plan. An archivist will be visiting the Park District office on October 29<sup>th</sup> to view the records currently in our possession.

**Resolution 100125:** Secretary-Attorney Schimpf explained that this resolution provides notice that the Board does not intend to collect an amount of property tax revenue that is more than 105% of last year's levy. Upon a motion by Haentzler, seconded by Pfund, the Board approved Resolution 100125 in a 4-0 roll call vote with all commissioners voting YES and Commissioner Davis absent.

**Report of Waterloo Park District Foundation NFP:** Lisa Pecha, the Non-Commissioner Director of the Waterloo Park District Foundation NFP, briefed the Board on her plan for the Foundation's Astronomy Night event. Upon a motion by Pfund, seconded by Perotti, the Board approved Resolution 100225, a resolution extending the hours of Lakeview Park for the event, in a 4-0 roll call vote with all commissioners voting YES and Commissioner Davis absent.

**Koenigsmark/Optimist Skate Park:** Nothing to report.

**Konarcik Park:** Nothing to report.

**Lakeview Park:** Nothing to report.

**Lions Park:** The ribbon-cutting photo for the completion of renovations undertaken by the Waterloo Lions Club is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on October 16, 2025.

**William Zimmer Park:** President Gardner stated that she wants Rain Drop Products to make another site visit to the Waterloo Community Splash Pad in the spring prior to its reopening. The purpose of the visit will be to provide additional training for our new employees and address the remaining operational issues. The Board approved her signing a contract up to \$3,550 for the additional site visit via unanimous consent.

**New/other business:** None.

**Commissioner comments:** Commissioner Perotti asked whether the Park District was responsible for stocking fish in the lakes at Lakeview Park (no, the City of Waterloo does this). The Board also discussed the boating rules for Lakeview Park.

**City Liaison comments:** None.

**Final guest comments:** Lisa Pecha asked about a black cable that is visible at Lakeview Park. Superintendent Prater stated that it is the subject of ongoing negotiations between Spectrum Communications and the City of Waterloo.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the upstairs conference room at Waterloo City Hall.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned via unanimous consent at 7:47 p.m.

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