

CITY OF WISCONSIN RAPIDS
PARKS / RECREATION / BUILDINGS
220 3rd Avenue South, Suite 3, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495, (715) 421-8240

Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes

October 10, 2022

The Parks & Recreation Commission met on Monday, October 10, 2022, at 4 p.m. in the first floor conference room at City Hall, 444 West Grand Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI. The meeting was also streamed LIVE on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page.

1. Call to order.

Commissioner Veneman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioners present were Mayor Blaser, Craig Broeren, Tom Ekelin, Tom Rayome, Lee Thao, and Dean Veneman. Kris Barteck and Carolynn Martin appeared via zoom. Patrick Gatterman was excused. Staff present were Dawn Desorcy and Jake Klingforth. Also attending was Alderperson Dennis Polach.

2. Approve September 19, 2022, meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Broeren, seconded by Commissioner Ekelin, to approve the meeting minutes of September 19, 2022. Motion carried.

3. Discuss Aquatics Center hours, season pass and day pass rates, early bird renewal special, and consider setting rates for 2023 season.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thao, seconded by Commissioner Broeren, that the hours for the Aquatics Center for 2023 be as follow: Sunday-Wednesday 12-6 p.m., Thursday 12-7 p.m., Friday-Saturday 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Veneman, seconded by Commissioner Thao, that season and day pass rates as well as shelter rental rates remain the same for the 2023 season. Motion carried. It was noted that staff should continue to track resident and non-resident entries at the Aquatics Center.

2023 Rates:

Day Passes (ages 3+)

All entries: \$7

Resident: \$4 with purchase of resident day punch card (5 entries/\$20)

Non-Resident (or without punch card): \$7

Age 2 and under (with paid adult pass): FREE

Guardian Passes

Resident Non-Swimmer: \$2 / Non-Resident Non-Swimmer: \$4

Season Passes

Resident

Single \$60 / Veteran Single \$50

Senior \$30 / Veteran Senior (62+) \$20

Family (5 maximum) \$120 (\$25 for each additional family member)

Veteran Family \$100 (\$25 for each additional family member)

Non-Resident

Single \$120 / Senior \$60 / Veteran Single \$110

Family (5 maximum) \$240 (\$25 for each additional family member)

Veteran Family \$220 (\$25 for each additional family member)

Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes

October 10, 2022

Page 2

Rentable Areas (Individual rentals; not including party package options.)

North or South Cabanas:

\$25/hr (\$20/hr with season pass)

Rapids Room (Indoor Shelter):

Resident: \$150/day, plus \$100 CASH refundable cleaning/key deposit

Non-Resident: \$250/day, plus \$100 CASH refundable cleaning/key deposit

Open Shelter (outside of fence)

\$100/day

Large Family Area Shelter (covered area at mechanical building)

\$80/day

A motion was made by Commissioner Broeren, seconded by Commissioner Ekelin, to offer the same early bird specials for this year as were offered last year (\$10 off of family passes, and \$5 off of single passes), from November 15, 2022, through January 31, 2023. Motion carried.

4. Consider approval for Aquatics Center ice pond warming house hours.

No action taken. Warming house hours will remain the same and will not be brought back to the commission unless changes are necessary. Hours are Monday-Friday, 5-7 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, and Non-School Days, 1-7 p.m.

5. Consider approval of 2023 Parks & Recreation and Aquatics budgets.

Jake provided an overview of Aquatics and Parks & Recreation budgets.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ekelin, seconded by Mayor Blaser, to approve the budget as presented. Motion carried. Staff will bring back a list of possible outlay projects and cost estimates to a future meeting.

6. Bills.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ekelin, seconded by Commissioner Veneman, to approve the bills. Motion carried.

7. Staff reports.

Jake and Dawn presented staff reports.

8. Adjourn.

A motion was made by Commissioner Thao, seconded by Commissioner Broeren, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Dawn Desorcy, Recording Secretary