

CITY OF WISCONSIN RAPIDS  
*PARKS / RECREATION / BUILDINGS*  
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**Park & Recreation Commission Minutes**

October 8, 2018

The Park & Recreation Commission met on Monday, October 8, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. in the first floor conference room at City Hall, 444 West Grand Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

Members in attendance were Tom Ekelin, Derek Johnson, Steven Koth, Kelly Rosekrans, and Lee Thao. Craig Broeren, Lee Graf, and Mayor Vruwink were unable to attend. Staff attending were Dawn Desorcy, Matt Heideman, and Joe Terry.

1. Call to order.

Kelly called the meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

2. Approval of July 9, 2018. minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koth, seconded by Commissioner Thao, to approve the minutes of July 9, 2018. Motion carried.

3. Update on moving memorial rock from Veteran's Park to west side flag pole location.

The City received approval to move the rock from the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and the project will commence as soon as possible.

4. Consider approval of Celebration Bench & Table Donation Policy.

The policy was presented, noting that there may be changes and additions made in the future. A motion was made by Commissioner Ekelin, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the Celebration Bench & Table Donation Policy. Motion carried.

5. Update on Phase 1 updates at the zoo.

Matt discussed potential updates with the zookeeper, and distributed a list of projects that they would like to see completed as part of Phase 1 updates at the zoo. Matt is planning to bring back additional information and costs to the next meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Koth, seconded by Commissioner Ekelin, to approve priorities given to the Commission, with the condition that priorities may change dependent upon budget and money donated. Motion carried.

It was noted that a citizen requested that 5-point roses be placed somewhere at the zoo.

6. Bills.

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

7. Staff reports.

Matt provided a written and verbal report, and added that the west side flag pole is being repaired, the zoo is approximately 75% shut down for the season, and that the Master Gardener's participation at the zoo will be declining in the future. There is prep work being done at City Hall and the Fire Department for the new generators.

Mary provided a written report.

8. Adjourn.

A motion was made by Commissioner Koth, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Dawn Desorcy, Recording Secretary