

CITY OF VERONA

MINUTES

PARK, RECREATION & FORESTRY COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2021

1. The meeting was called to order by chairperson Tyler Powers at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Present: Tyler Powers, Heather Reekie, Phil Hoechst, Mark Giesfeldt, Paul Schmidt. Also present: Dave Walker, Parks Director; Casey Dudley, Recreation Director; Alyson Tincher, Emily Kraus, Adrien Leuschen, Lily Cuevas, Vanessa Ramaker, Girl Scout Troop 7398.
3. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Giesfeldt, to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2021 meeting of the Park, Recreation, and Forestry Commission. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Several members of Girl Scout Troop 7398 were at the meeting to present a proposal to place first aid kits in a few of the busiest parks. The kits would be made, installed, and stocked by the troop for a period of one year at Harriet, Veterans, and Fireman's Park. Each kit would include basic first aid supplies along with a "stop the bleed" kit for more serious injuries. The project was part of an effort by the troop to earn a Girl Scout bronze award for community impact.
5. Moved by Giesfeldt, seconded by Hoechst, to approve the Girl Scout Troop 7398 proposal to place first aid kits at the shelters in Harriet, Veterans, and Fireman's Park. Motion carried 5-0.
6. The Commission reviewed program fees for Recreation Department offerings as well as beach admissions. The fees are reviewed and adjusted annually as needed. Casey Dudley recommended that for 2022 the non-resident program fees be raised by \$5 or \$10 and that all beach admission fees be raised by \$1 to reflect higher operating costs.
7. Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Reekie, to raise non-resident program fees as discussed and all daily beach admission fees by \$1. Motion carried 5-0.
8. The Commission reviewed the 2022 operating budget requests for Parks, Recreation, and Forestry. All three budgets included slight increases over current year levels and were primarily due to higher personnel costs.
9. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Hoechst, to approve 2022 operating budget requests as presented. Motion carried 5-0.
10. Moved by Giesfeldt, seconded by Reekie, to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Time: 8:10 p.m.

Tyler Powers
Chairperson