



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Henry Vilas Zoo Commission

Tuesday, July 11, 2017

7:00 AM

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A. Call To Order

Present 6 - ANNE ROSS, Supervisor CHUCK ERICKSON, JEFFREY GUNDERSON,
JONATHAN BECKER, SARA ESKRICH, and SARAH JUSTUS
Absent 1 - CHRIS HENDERSON

B. Consideration of Minutes

This was recommended for approval

[2017](#) Zoo Commission meeting minutes 050217
[MIN-146](#)

Attachments: [Minutes23-Jun-2017-12-34-56](#)

C. Action Items

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

Zoo Director report

Ronda Schwetz reported Zoo updates: Animal updates included new rhino, Harmon doing well and out of quarantine since June, lion family successfully all together on exhibit, marmoset family is doing well, black and white ruffed lemurs put together for a group of one male and two females and new female otter was successfully introduced to resident male. Budget 2018 was prepped and requests included operating dollars for the contract line items to match contract and adding in security for busy day hours. Capital requests included replacing the lower restrooms in early 2018, continued updates for the rhino barn, and paving for the employee parking lot to meet ADA requirements. Completed 2017 capital requests included the playground resurfacing and several drainage issues repaired or replaced which was welcome timing for all of the recent rain in June and July. General Curator, Jeff Stafford retired in May and interviews for that position were happening for a replacement.

Zoo Society report

Alison Prange, Executive Director of the Zoo reported: The revenue from the Grille and on grounds operations was lower than 2016 due to weather but still within the projected budget. Per capita spending was up. Rendezoo was a huge success and planning turning to the zoo run, Halloween at the Zoo and Zoo Lights. Corporate nights had all been sold out and a waiting list had started for the first time.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 20 at 7:00am in the Zoo Administration Building.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law****I. Adjourn**

This was adjourned

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