

Fremont Community Recreation Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Treasurer John Grimes, in the absence of Chair Bryan Kolk.

Present: Boardmembers Todd Blake, Brian Hettinger, Mike Oosterhouse, John Grimes, Dawn Finch, Dave Deur(7:35), Kris Carpenter(7:20), Bill Kunnen and Director Tom Elmer. Guests: Mark Schreiber

Motion was made by Brian Hettinger, seconded by Bill Kunnen to approve the meeting Agenda; motion approved.

Motion was made by Brian Hettinger, seconded by Mike Oosterhouse to approve the January 17, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented; motion approved.

Public Comment: Mark Schreiber.

John Grimes submitted the January Treasurer's Report and briefly summarized it, noting the tax collections during January were posted back to December, as will all other 2018 property taxes received in February and March. Motion by Todd Blake, seconded by Brian Hettinger to receive the January Treasurer's Report; motion approved.

Motion made by Todd Blake, seconded by Brian Hettinger to authorize payment of the recommended Accounts Payable list totaling \$16,464.46, and the upcoming Consumers Energy utility bill estimated at \$5,000; motion approved.

Review 2019 Operating Budget: John Grimes and Todd Blake summarized the proposed budget revenues and expenditures and noted FCRA's 2018 year end is estimated to end with net earnings of nearly \$15,000, which should allow FCRA to meet the three-year (2017-2019) deficit-elimination plan put forth to the State of Michigan. Public discussion of the budget ended around 7:30 pm and a motion to approve the 2019 Operating Budget was made by Mike Oosterhouse and seconded by Dawn Finch; motion unanimously approved.

Directors Report: Director Tom Elmer briefly summarized his report, noting swim lessons will begin next week, and the boilers have been inspected to meet state regulations. He also reported the State health inspector has provided some guidance regarding the process for FCRA's planned summer seasonal closing of the pool in May.

Program Committee: Committee Chair Dawn Finch submitted a report entailing information on some FCRA upcoming/proposed programs for this spring/summer. Flyers on the Rec Center's upcoming events entailing Family Night @ the Rec, a Cornhole Tournament, Spring Break Sports Camp and an Easter Egg Splash were distributed as well. She also talked about providing concessions at various Rec Center events and requested help from Boardmembers to distribute sponsorship request letters for purchase of cornhole equipment for tournaments.

Motion by Brian Hettinger, seconded by Kris Carpenter to authorize the Director to purchase new dodgeballs for the upcoming tournament, for an amount not to exceed \$150; motion approved.

Facility Committee: Committee Chair Brian Hettinger reported the Committee met a few times to review several proposals for short and long-term use of the community room. The Committee has additional requested information and countered proposals from Family Fitness and The Hub Center.

Mr. Mark Schreiber announced that he had submitted an updated proposal to the Director before the meeting and asked that the Board discuss and consider his request for hourly rental of the room for remote control car racing. The Board informed Mr. Schreiber that building code-approved railing would have to be constructed around the hole in the community room's floor and that he would have to provide liability insurance coverage that FCRA's insurance carrier would approve of.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Todd Blake, seconded by Brian Hettinger to authorize the Director and Facility Committee to finish negotiation of a short-term type agreement for The Hub Center's use of the community room, with building code official approval of temporary fencing around the hole in the room and an insurance policy provided that appropriately covers FCRA while The Hub Center is using the community room; motion approved.

It was reported that Newaygo area resident Mr. Lowell Godfrey has been posting negative opinions on Facebook, of the Rec Center's operations and claiming the building is not up to building code. So following a tour of the facility, a couple broken outlet covers were replaced. Some additional railing boards were added to the south commons maintenance ramp for stability, even though it wasn't required per building code.

Closed Session: Motion by Brian Hettinger, seconded by Dawn Finch to close the Regular Session at 8:58 pm and enter into a Closed Session for the purpose of discussing litigation strategy; motion approved by unanimous roll call vote. The Closed Session ended at 9:20 pm and the Regular Session reconvened.

Motion by Brian Hettinger, seconded by Bill Kunnen to authorize Chairman Bryan Kolk to execute the necessary documents pertaining to FCRA filing a claim against Northpointe Gymnastics, LLC and Under The Sun Childcare, LLC, for non-payment of rents and building damages; motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Mike Oosterhouse, seconded by Dave Deur to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:25 pm; motion approved.

Todd Blake – Secretary