

**FREMONT COMMUNITY RECREATION AUTHORITY**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, March 3, 2016, 7pm**

Fremont Community Rec Center, 201 E. Maple St., Fremont, MI

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chairman Todd Blake.

**FCRA Board Present:** Todd Blake, Brian Hettinger, Crystal Calkins, Bryan Kolk, Dean Morehouse, Erik Bengston and Rhoni Kaastra. **Absent:** Randy Pell & Becky Content

**Public Present:** FCRA Director Tom Elmer, FCRA Student Intern Ben Blamer, FCRA employee Tina Dunbar

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Bryan, seconded by Dean to approve the Meeting Agenda; motion approved.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 4, 2016**

Motion by Bryan, seconded by Brian to approve the February 4, 2016 meeting minutes as presented; motion approved.

**RECEIVE FEBRUARY TREASURER'S REPORT & APPROVE FEBRUARY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LIST**

Motion by Dean, seconded by Brian to receive the February Treasurer Report; motion approved.  
Motion by Brian, seconded by Crystal to approve the February Accounts Payable lists; motion approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS) - NONE**

**DISCUSSION OF FCRA MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

Chairman Blake reported the millage committee has been very active and is still seeking new members willing to work with them on the campaign. A mailing was made to 100% of FCRA members and facility/program users that live in both Dayton & Sheridan Townships and the committee followed up with phone calls to them.

Rhoni informed the board there were some discussions regarding FCRA and the upcoming election on Facebook amongst community members that did not reflect FCRA positively. Fortunately, there was some good input regarding FCRA that answered some of the speculative questions and helped alleviate some concerns. Regardless, there is some consensus for the need for improvement in programs and operations at the Center.

Dean reported the Committee raised approximately \$875 to cover their costs for mailings and ads, with some being left over for thank you notices following the election.

Tom confirmed that Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> will be the final open house before the election that will give non-members a chance to visit the Rec Center and see what it has to offer.

Following discussion, the board agreed to meet on Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup> following the election to discuss FCRA's options. It was agreed to stay on track with Fremont Public School's plans to take possession of the building shortly after the election if the proposal should fail.

Motion by Brian, seconded by Rhoni to authorize immediate coordination of a public auction of the kitchen equipment in the kitchen area of the recreation center if the millage proposal fails; motion approved.

Todd recommended FCRA not consider auctioning of cardio and weight-training equipment if the millage fails until further notice.

**RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT:**

**A. REC CENTER ROOF STATUS** – FPS’ low bid came in around \$75,000, but the project has been postponed till spring to avoid winter and receive a discount for the delay.

**B. SPRING PROGRAMS-** Director Elmer reported spring program signups are scheduled to begin immediately following the election if it passes.

**NEXT MEETING DATES:**      **SPECIAL – THURSDAY, MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup> @7:00PM**  
   **REGULAR - THURSDAY, APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup> @7:00PM**

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

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TODD M. BLAKE, CHAIRMAN (ACTING SECRETARY)

**AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBERS:**

<u>CITY OF FREMONT</u>	<u>SHERIDAN CH TWP</u>	<u>DAYTON TWP</u>	<u>COMMUNITY REPS (3)</u>	
TODD BLAKE	BRYAN KOLK	RANDY PELL	CRYSTAL CALKINS (FPS)	ERIK BENGSTON
BRIAN HETTINGER	BECKY CONTENT	RHONI KAASTRA	DEAN MOREHOUSE	