

Fremont Community Recreation Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Bryan Kolk.

Board Present: Boardmembers Bryan Kolk, Todd Blake, John Grimes, Dawn Finch, Dave Deur, Bill Kunnen and Director Tom Elmer.

Public Present: Tom Boerger, Lowell Godfrey, Rich Bachelor, Gary Bushman, Pam Cronk, Carol Deweird, Mike Paige, Misty Vandenberg, Luke Vincent, Ben Deweird, Tim Powell, Sara Todd, Eric Hager, Mark Schreiber, Ryan Todd, Colton Vincent,

Motion was made by Dawn Finch, seconded by John Grimes to approve the meeting Agenda; motion approved.

Motion was made by John Grimes, seconded by Bill Kunnen to approve the February 21, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented; motion approved.

Public Comment: There were various questions regarding FCRA's planned temporary closing of the pool this summer, from numerous attendees: Will it open back up?; What happens to Summer Swim Lessons?; What repairs are scheduled?; Will it be better maintained when it does open back up?; What will happen to the FAST program?; Doesn't the operating millage cover all the costs?; Will the locker rooms be painted?

FPS Swim Coach Rich Bachelor asked if the pool would open back up by August 12th for the Girl's Swim Team Season, and also offered his assistance with future pool operations planning and scheduling of events.

Chair Bryan Kolk informed the public that the Board authorized the Director to schedule a closing of the pool from early May to the end of August. The Board has been researching ways to cut costs at the Rec Center, and records show the pool is least used during those months, so savings during that time are estimated around \$25,000. He also assured them that FCRA fully intends on reopening the pool at the end of the summer.

There were also some comments regarding the building's poor cleanliness and trash bins being full all the time.

Chair Bryan Kolk thanked those in attendance for expressing their concerns and informed them that FCRA will publicize its final decision with regards to planned maintenance and temporary closure of the pool. He also noted that Director Tom Elmer has already verified the process with the Health Department and State of Michigan, to make sure there weren't any violations during the process.

John Grimes submitted the February Treasurer's Report and briefly summarized it, noting the tax collections January thru March will all have be posted back to December 2018, as will any bills received January thru February that were incurred before 12/31/18. Motion by Todd Blake, seconded by Dave Deur to receive the February Treasurer's Report; motion approved.

Motion made by Todd Blake, seconded by Dawn Finch to authorize payment of the recommended Accounts Payable list items totaling \$4,701, along with the upcoming DTE and Consumers Energy utility bills estimated at an additional \$8,800 (total \$13,501); motion approved.

Welcome New FCRA Board Member: Todd Blake announced that he has fulfilled his second three-year term to the FCRA Board, which expires 3/31/19. He also introduced Councilman Steve Heiss and announced the City Council has appointed him to serve as one of the City's representatives to the FCRA Board for the next three years. Chair Bryan Kolk welcomed Mr. Heiss and expressed the Board's appreciation for Todd Blake's service to FCRA since inception.

Directors Report: Director Tom Elmer briefly summarized his report and noted Quality Air has agreed to invoice FCRA over an average monthly basis for its annual boiler inspection process. His Report also included Firestorm Technology's annual IT Services Report, which entailed a detailed list of services it provided over the last year to FCRA, for use of the building's former IT Room at the southeast corner of the building. He reported Firestorm's report also requested a one-year (May 2019 – April 2020) renewal of its rental agreement.

The Director also reported receiving a proposal for use of the South Common's Offices. Chair Bryan Kolk suggested the Director and Facilities Committee negotiate a renewal agreement with Firestorm for the Board to consider at the April meeting.

Program Committee: Committee Chair Dawn Finch submitted a report entailing information on some FCRA upcoming/proposed programs for the remainder of the year. She also reported the concessions at various Rec Center events are making some profit, as well as the most recent Family Night event. She did note that registration for the Spring Break Sports Camp and Easter Egg Splash are low and requested help from Boardmembers to run them. She also suggested the Board consider coordinating an event(s) during the Baby Food Festival, like Disc Golf, Bingo or Family Trivia Game Night.

Facility Committee: Committee Member Todd Blake reported the Committee met to review Mr. Schreiber's revised proposal for short-term use of the community room. He noted the Committee has confirmed Mr. Schreiber's actions to meet building code for the new railing around the room's hole in the floor and has provided the necessary insurance coverage for use, per FCRA's insurance carrier's approval. Todd also noted the Committee recommended additional time be given without charge to Mr. Schreiber while he cleaned and prepared the room for his use.

Mark Schreiber invited the Board to attend his Hub Center event on April 6th at 1:30pm, to participate in the remote control car racing event. He will provide the racing cars.

Motion by Dawn Finch, seconded by Dave Deur to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:53 pm; motion approved.

Todd Blake – Secretary