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MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Fidalgo Pool and Fitness Center
Thursday, October 17, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: C Mathes, K Hansen, D Way, J McNett, A Olson

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Executive Director M Everton, Maintenance Manager J Little

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of September 12, 2019 were approved as read.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHER(S)

Vouchers were approved for payment.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Jennifer Lewis, Friends of Fidalgo Pool board chair, acknowledged members of the fundraising steering committee in attendance and thanked them for their service. She noted that the consultants had been invaluable to the process and the Day of Giving success.

DIRECTOR/MANAGER/COMMITTEE REPORTS

The ED gave a summary report on current initiatives/developments. The fall schedule is running smoothly, monthly (vs quarterly) swim lesson registration has been successful in allowing parents to better slot their children into appropriate class levels and TAC/Masters census continues to expand. We are embarking on a concentrated grant writing program for 2020, modeled after the Walla Walla aquatics initiatives.

Communication continues to be challenging, given the number of people involved at all levels—patrons, TAC, staff, etc. It was suggested that the Communications subcommittee review current approaches and provide recommendations back to the full board before year-end. The ED will work with commissioners Olson & Way to facilitate this.

Financials

September financials were reviewed. Revenue is short \$75K to budget due to a \$31K timing issue re: levy funding; a \$29K aquatics shortfall due to Feb closure and a lack of expected growth; \$14K TAC shortfall due to team census; and a \$7K Masters shortfall due to slower than expected ramping. Offsetting the revenue miss, we are \$61K underbudget on expenses. It was noted that the \$14K net income shortfall would be a \$15K overage with timely levy collection and should correct in October.

Old Business

Fundraising update. The Day of Giving was a success, bringing in approximately \$60K, including the \$25K match. Community input meetings have been well-attended, with many thoughtful questions. The responses will be tabulated and provided back in a report to the board at a future meeting.

It was agreed that FPFC will engage with Foster-Pepper re: bond counsel.

New Business

1. 2220 J Avenue Disposition. It was agreed that Comm McNett will contact Russ Jeter to explore: (a) transfer of ownership to FPFC; and (b) timing on a possible rental, allowing J. Little to assess rentability issues and report back to the board.
2. Budget. A first reading of the 2020 draft budget was undertaken. Commissioners will review the budget in detail and get back with any questions. The final reading will occur at the November meeting, incorporating edits, with approval.

Executive Session

An executive session, lasting approximately 30 minutes, was held to discuss contractual matters. No further action was taken.

ADJOURN

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously. The Executive Session was adjourned at 7:30.

The next regular Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 21 at 5:30 p.m. at FPFC. A special meeting will be held October 29 at 5:30 at FPFC to discuss contractual matters.