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MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Conducted at Fidalgo Pool and Fitness Center and Virtually
September 15, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

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

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: R Peterson

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from August 18, 2022, were approved as written.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vouchers were approved for payment.

DIRECTOR/FINANCIAL/STAFF REPORTS

ED reported TAC has 70 swimmers enrolled. Two coaches from last year will not be returning after January 1st and Coach George is searching for additional adult coaches. Starting in November the billing platform changed and switched to a full year agreement and payment model.

Masters currently has 49 members. The program will transition over to an agreement for minimum enrollment time in the future to ensure consistent funds are available for coaching.

Swim lessons remain popular and are filling up every session. The current lessons run through October and the next signups will be in late October. Discussion is ongoing with the school district to restart the 3rd grade swimming program this year.

The ED reported members of the FPFC and the Friends of Fidalgo attended both the Open Streets and the Ready to Learn fare to inform the local populace about the facility and our activities.

Fitness classes continue to expand with both new fitness instructors and classes. Usage of the facility during August was obviously limited by the shutdown period but there were 2,834 visits. Some fitness courses were conducted virtually to try and alleviate some of the shutdown impacts.

Current Finances for August were in line with expectations. Net income was a loss of \$142,500, as stated, this was in line with expectations. The biggest expense was the annual liability insurance payment. That came in slightly higher than expected but was offset by a higher-than-expected revenue mainly due to swimming lessons and masters' dues. At the end of August there was \$250,026 in the county account and \$123,840 in the bank. This totals \$373,888 which is \$24,841 more than expected. This puts the district in a sound financial position for the year.

Transfers from the bank to the county will be weekly in the future. RCW 43.09.240 requires daily transfers unless a waiver is present. The waiver can only extend up to one week. The current waiver is expired, and the ED is working with the county to get a current waiver as they have recently realized there are many agencies whose waivers have expired.

There was an incident of an after-hours entry into the facility. It was initially thought to be a break in, but after investigation it was determined that the entry was by an employee. The issue was handled appropriately.

The ED reported that the inability to get details on class makeup as well as account management inefficiency has led to an investigation of options for point-of-sale software. A possible solution has been identified and is under review.

The ED reported the 2023 budget is being worked but inputs are still needed from the county. The draft budget should be ready for review on comment for the October meeting and approval in November.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

1. The Personnel Manual is with the HR committee and is planned to be brought to the Board in November for approval.
2. The potential lawsuit is still in stay and not moving at this time
3. Upon discussion with the drafting lawyers, the district does not have the ability to change the rate charged to the city for the Senior Center.
4. The ED continues to look at the ability of the district to reorganize as a Municipal Parks and Recreation District. He is verifying that a resolution would need to be passed by both the city and county to place it on the ballot. Reorganization would open up more financing options.
5. The district is still in the audit for the Public Employees Retirement System. Still waiting on requests for any more information required.
6. The district was also contacted about the state audit required every three years. Records are due on September 26th, with the audit beginning October 3. Expected cost is \$12,500.

7. Following the executive session, a question was asked of the ED about transgender use of changing facilities. The facility complies with Washington State law; individuals must be allowed to use the facilities of the gender they identify with.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session was entered into at 6:17 p.m. to review the performance of a public employee. The executive session was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.