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MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Conducted at Fidalgo Pool and Fitness Center and Virtually Aug 16, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. Commissioners Present: C Mathes (Chair), K Hansen, J McNett, Commissioners Absent: D Way, A Olson Staff Present: R Peterson

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from the regular meeting on Jul 20, 2023 were approved as written.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vouchers were approved for payment.

DIRECTOR/FINANCIAL/STAFF REPORTS

The ED reported 7,249 visits in July, this is more in line with expected numbers. It was discovered that swimming lesson patrons were not being checked in. Going back and checking in for June raised the number from 5,991 visits to 6,367. August will obviously be lower due to the shutdown.

Net Income for June was again higher than budgeted. Single admission and swim lesson revenue was slightly lower than expected but made up for by rec swims and payments for previous swim meets. Expenses were also slightly lower than expected, utilities being lower and little maintenance being required prior to the shutdown. Employee wages were slightly higher due to the amount of activity at the pool. For the month there was a net loss of \$46,851 compared to a budgeted \$55,924 loss. That resulted in an about \$9,000 difference and currently \$75,807 dollars above budget for the year. Subtracting the scheduled deposit to the operational reserve, there is a positive \$46,640 above budget. A portion of the excess will be used for items found during the maintenance period, mainly the boiler work. At the end of July there was \$567,400 with the county and \$146,428 in the bank accounts for a total of \$713,828.

Swim lesson registration for the fall were on Aug 12 and went as smooth as has happened so far. Classes will begin Aug 22 and run for 8 weeks. Beginning in October, lessons will switch to twice a week for 4 week sessions. There will be a babysitting course starting Aug 28 and it is currently half full. Water Safety Instructor course will begin Aug 27th.

The Aquatics Director is exploring the possibility of adding winter and spring break camps.

Mount Vernon and Burlington Edison/Sedro swim teams are using the pool the week of 21 August. They are using time generally reserved for TAC so there is no impact to normal operations. TAC will begin practices September 5^{th} .

3rd grade swimming lessons are being finalized with the school district, but there doesn't appear to be any barriers to them happening this year.

The commissioners walked around the facility to view the maintenance projects under way during the shutdown.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- Metropolitan Park District
 - The ED reported that the work for the Metropolitan Park District is proceeding. The graphic for the updated concept has been received. This will allow creating a banner to aid in informing the public about what is coming up. The plan is still for a special election in the spring. The ED will begin setting up meetings with city and county commissioners and FPFC commissioners and the ED to begin explaining the resolutions needed to get the proposal on the ballot.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.