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MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Conducted at Fidalgo Pool and Fitness Center April 18, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

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

Commissioners Absent: A Olson

Staff Present: R Peterson

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from the regular meeting on Mar 21, 2024 were approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vouchers were approved for payment.

DIRECTOR/FINANCIAL/STAFF REPORTS

The ED reported 7,920 visits in March, a 6.5% increase from February on top of the 15% from January. This is a new high. There was another 14% increase in pool usage this month.

Gross profit for March was higher than budgeted. Most of that was from receiving some of our levy dues early again. Another big portion was a payment from the school district for boys swimming. There is still an outstanding payment for the 3rd grade swim lessons.

Expenses were higher than budgeted. Maintenance costs were higher than expected and the ED will continue to monitor going forward. Medical insurance was higher than expected as two months were paid for due to the switch to a new carrier. The amount will continue to look high due to some employees electing to add family to their policy. Employees pay for the family members, and this will be offset by a reduction in payroll costs.

For the month there was a net loss of \$23,342 compared to a budgeted loss of \$73,498, a positive difference of \$50,156. Accounting for the early levy collection, the facility is on budget for the year.

At the end of March, there was \$409,314 with the county and \$123,812 in the bank for a total of \$533,126.

The next swim lesson session will have registration May 4 and will begin classes May 13th. The April Pools day event went well with most of the life jackets given away. There are still a few remaining. We continue to give the rest away and may give any remaining away at the Waterfront Festival.

A Lifeguard class will be held 25-28th April.

The shutdown training with the staff went well. Staff had good questions about the future facility and were engaged. The emergency procedure training encouraged good questions and was well received. I was happy with the results and will look to do another one in the fall.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- Low Income Program
 - The resolution incorporating inputs from the last meeting was reviewed. The Commissioners passed Resolution 347 5-0 to begin the program providing assistance to low income residents not covered by an insurance fitness benefit.
- Metropolitan Park District.
 - The Boundary Review Board met April 10th. There have been no filings with regards to the Metropolitan District. The next meeting is scheduled for May 8th if it is needed. If no filings are made, the meeting will be canceled, and the necessary paperwork will be provided to finish placing the proposal on the ballot. The 45-day clock began March 7th and will end April 22nd.
- Rental Home
 - The ED gave an update on the rental home and the family's plan for removing household goods. They do not expect to be out until sometime in May. This will not affect FPFC in a negative way. There will need to be some repair work done in the home. The commissioners tabled the discussion on the future of renting the home.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.