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MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Conducted at Fidalgo Pool and Fitness Center
September 17, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.
Commissioners Present: C Mathes, K Hansen, D Way
Commissioners Absent: A Olson, J McNett
Staff Present: R Peterson

PUBLIC COMMENT

D Hansen commented on interest on hearing the commissioners plan for a new pool.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from the regular meeting on August 15, 2024 were approved.
Minutes from the special meeting on August 21, 2024 were approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Vouchers were approved for payment.

DIRECTOR/FINANCIAL/STAFF REPORTS

The ED reported there were 3,808 visits in August, around what was expected with the maintenance shutdown.

Gross profit for August was higher than budgeted. The main contributors were swim lessons and rental home income. The estimates for both the pool and the fitness center were overestimated. The ED will adjust next year's estimates to account for the shutdown.

Expenses were also slightly higher than budgeted. The utilities were higher than budgeted due to catching up on the payments for bills that came in after the vouchers were approved. Wages were also higher than budgeted due to bringing some of the maintenance in house instead of contracting it out. This did offset some of the expected maintenance costs.

For the month there was a net loss of \$184,280 compared to a budgeted loss of \$187,653, a positive difference of \$3,373. This places the facility with a positive \$10,686 on the budget.

At the end of August, there was \$254,034 with the county and \$372,147 in the bank for a total of \$626,181. The bank account was higher than usual due to the check for the insurance payment not being cashed.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- Rental Home.
The repairs to the larger rental home are moving along. There are, however, some items that need to be done before it can be rented again. The floor in the laundry room and bathroom needed replacement. In removing the floor, it was determined that there was some plumbing work needed as well. Insulation will need to be done as well. Waiting on bids for the larger projects.

- Senior Center
Still looking at cleaning up the lease contract with the city. The ED will engage our lawyer for language

- 2025 Budget
The ED begun creating the 2025 budget. The anticipated minimum wage increase based upon CPI-W is 2.35% to 16.67. The budget will need to be approved during the November meeting for submission by 30 November to the county.

- New Pool
The commissioners began discussions on moving forward on a new facility. There was discussion about how to begin a fundraising push. The ED will send a few questions to start the discussion at the next meeting. Additionally, the commissioners asked the ED to determine if there was someone with election expertise to help decide when and how to put the item on the ballot when necessary. This would be good for the capital program as well as a potential retry at a Metropolitan Park District. The ED will investigate.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.