

City of Grand Rapids
IRA Civic Center / Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Regular Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, July 10th, 2019 – **5:30 pm**
IRA Civic Center

- I. Call to order
- II. Financial reports (only if end of quarter)
- III. Approve May Minutes
- IV. Setting of regular agenda
- V. Visitors
- VI. Old business
 - a. Facility improvements update
 - b. Steering Committee Update
- VII. New business
 - a. Discuss Naming Policy for City Parks & Facilities
- VIII. Staff Reports
 - a. Programs and events update
- IX. Correspondence
- X. Adjournment

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through our facilities, programming and civic partnerships.**

CIVIC CENTER AND PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Regular Monthly Meeting
May 8, 2019

The IRA Civic Center and Park and Recreation Advisory Board held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 8, 2019, at the IRA Civic Center.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Members Present: Tasha Connelly, Lilah Crowe, Tina Glorvigen, and Brad Hyduke
Board Members Absent: Steve Oleheiser
Staff Present: Dale Anderson, Sara Holum
Visitors: Mike Johnson, Bill Kinnunen, David Kuschel, Scott McBride, and Bruce LaRoque

II. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financials through March 31, 2019 were presented at the meeting and discussed.

A motion was made by Hyduke and second by Glorvigen, to accept the financials through March 31, 2019.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: Connelly, Crowe, Glorvigen and Hyduke. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.

III. MINUTES

The minutes from the last regular meeting held on March 13, 2019 were presented to the Board. Tasha discussed the status of the lion fountain and after being informed that the Board does not support the fountain being placed on the Central School lawn, she informed the Board that the Lions were considering the Depot or possibly placing it outside of the community.

A motion was made by Glorvigen and second by Connelly, to accept the March 13, 2019 minutes.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: Connelly, Crowe, Glorvigen and Hyduke. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.

IV. SETTING THE AGENDA

Lilah asked that three items be added to agenda:

- b. Hay bales
- c. Ghost Tours
- d. Entrance to Highway 38

A motion was made by Connelly and second by Hyduke, to accept the setting of agenda and additional items.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: Connelly, Crowe, Glorvigen and Hyduke. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.

V. VISITORS

- a. Consider request for naming Legion Baseball Field.

Mike Johnson, Bill Kinnunen, David Kuschel, Scott McBride, and Bruce LaRoque all spoke to the Board to consider the request for renaming of the Legion Baseball Field. They each spoke with deep appreciation for Bob Streetar and what he has done for Grand Rapids baseball. His passion for the game and thorough preparedness made Mr. Streetar an instrumental role model for all baseball players to have been coached by him. On numerous occasions these gentlemen spoke of how Mr. Streetar taught them not only how to become good baseball players but gentlemen. Mr. Streetar took great pride in his “gem of the north” (Legion Baseball Field) and was meticulous on the maintenance which he also taught to his players. In addition to the numerous letters of support that were presented, they would like the Board to request changing the name of the Legion Baseball Field to Bob Street Field at American Legion Park.

A motion was made by Connelly and second by Glorvigen to consider renaming the American Legion Park to Bob Streetar Field at American Legion Park.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: Connelly, Crowe, Glorvigen and Hyduke. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

a. Facility improvements update. Although the outcome is not looking favorable, the City is waiting to hear the results of the emergency state funding. Dale explained they have met with the Chamber and GRAHA and is asking that two board members serve on the steering committee. Kent Koerbitz of ICS will be doing the consulting on this project.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. Next season’s ice rate. As discussed at the last board meeting, Dale is proposing that the hourly rate increase 3% which would raise the current rate of \$163 per hour to \$168 per hour running from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020. There was a suggestion to staff to continue conversations regarding other revenue sources for the Civic Center.

A motion was made by Glorvigen and second by Connelly to increase the hourly wage for ice time to go from \$163 to \$168 from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2020.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted in favor thereof: Connelly, Crowe, and Glorvigen. Abstain: Hyduke. Those opposed: none. Motion carried.

b. Hay bales. Lilah was speaking on behalf of the Fairgrounds Board who is requesting to put some hay bales on the Central School grounds to promote their event. Dale discussed with the reader board being in place, we do not allow any advertisement on the Central School grounds.

c. Ghost Tours. Lilah explained the Ghost Tours and how the lights get shut off at the library and their event runs from 8:30-10:00 p.m.

d. Entrance to Highway 38. Lilah explained that she called Jeff Davies to have the corner at the entrance of Highway 38 looked at because the appearance is not pleasant.

VIII. STAFF REPORT

Dale explained that the month of June is pretty slow for the Civic Center but it is a good time for building maintenance.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

X. ADJOURNAMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.
Respectfully submitted: Sara Holum