

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

Regular Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, November 12th – 5:30 p.m.
IRA Civic Center

- I. Call to order
- II. Financial reports (only if end of quarter)
- III. Approve September Minutes
- IV. Setting of regular agenda
- V. Old business
 - a. Roof replacement update
- VI. New business
 - a. Compressor issue
- VII. Staff Reports
 - a. Programs and events update
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Visitors
- X. Adjournment

CIVIC CENTER AND PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Regular Monthly Meeting September 10, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

The IRA Civic Center and Park and Recreation Advisory Board held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at the IRA Civic Center.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board Members Present: Lilah Crowe, Tina Glorvigen, Brad Hyduke, Justin Lamppa, Peter Miskovich, Steve Oleheiser, and Barb Sanderson

Board Members Absent: Melanie DeBay, Kim Smith

Staff Present: Dale Anderson and Sara Holum

Visitors: None

II. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Dale discussed the financials and stated that the Civic Center was slightly over budget. Dale met with Mr. Pagel and the City is going to get rid of the yearly transfer of \$27,000 to the Civic Center. The City is going to forgive the remaining \$20,000 balance of the \$220,000 loan repayment making it a difference of \$7,000.

III. MINUTES

The minutes from the last regular meeting held on April 9, 2014 were presented to the board.

A motion was made by Crowe and second by Sanderson to accept the April 9, 2014 minutes as presented.

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

IV. SETTING THE AGENDA

Mr. Lamppa asked that the item: New Business, d. Discuss GRAHA shooting center request be discussed earlier in the meeting due to a timeline conflict.

As GRAHA had requested an area within the arena to establish a shooting center, Dale recommends a 20 foot deep by 18 foot wide area where two kids can shoot at the same time. Upon the Boards' approval, GRAHA will be ordering hockey boards in the shape of the shooting center. Dale suggests using the cement floor for this year and synthetic ice for next year. GRAHA would assume all expenses incurred and would be responsible for the storage of all of the Civic Center staging and materials that are placed in that area now.

A motion was made by Hyduke and second by Sanderson to allow GRAHA to build a shooting center in the northeast corner of the East Venue wherein GRAHA will incur all expenses including the responsibility of finding storage for all Civic Center staging and materials that are currently in place in that location.

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

V. OLD BUSINESS

a. Discuss the approved Parks and Trails Plan Update

Dale mentioned that he held a meeting at the civic center that was very well attended regarding the City motorized trails. Discussions took place for needing better signage on the thru town ATV trail. The group plans to meet every other month which the next meeting is set up for late October.

Dale presented an attachment (pg. 27 of the Parks & Trails Master Plan) and highlighted some of the items in the Works in Process and Priority New Actions and Projects.

Dale discussed the capital improvement project of removing the restroom/shower facility at Blandin Beach and putting up a pavilion. At this time we are not receiving the monies necessary to complete the project. There were suggestions as to ways to help fund the project such as grant money from Legacy Fund, IRRRB, and Blandin Foundation.

Dale mentioned that it is not likely to have a dog park in 2015. He also discussed the possibility of putting a dog park in at Veteran's Park.

Dale is to move forward with park land in the Remer/Deschepper park and is to check that we had accepted the park plan before we draw up site plans.

b. Locker room model project

Locker room remodel is complete and Dale just gave to GRAHA the invoice for their contribution.

c. Roof replacement update

Although there was a delay in the start, the shrubs have been ripped out and Nelson Roofing will be shoveling the rock from the roof to fill in the landscaping close to the building. Hawkinson is going to donate some large boulders for a nice architectural look.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss next year's dry floor rates. The Civic Center has not had an increase in prices for dry floor events since 2006. There was a discussion as to what types of events are considered dry floor.

A motion was made by Miskovich and second by Oleheiser to increase the dry floor events at the Civic Center to the following:

East Venue-MacDonald Venue-
\$700 per day – receptions/parties
\$1,300 per day – commercial

West Venue-Kauppi Venue-
\$650 per day – receptions/parties
\$1,200 per day – commercial

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

b. Discuss CIP park updates

The Park and Recreation department ordered \$35,000 in playground equipment for McGowan and Willow Parks and will be installed in October.

c. Discuss Pickleball request

Dale received a request for a pickleball court. It's similar to tennis; played with wood paddle and whiffle ball. There could be a possibility of this group working with the City to expand on the basketball across from the arena to build a court. Cohasset has one in tarred outdoor skating rink.

STAFF REPORT

- a. Summer programs went well and we had 521 total registrations for the youth sports/activities. Mud Run profited approximately \$4,000.
- b. Ice is in and GRAHA and SNSC start October 6.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Sara Holum