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**CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, February 05, 2025
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Civic Center Advisory Board Chair Jeremy Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT

GRAHA Representative Andrew Haarklau
At Large Jeremy Carlson
Council Representative Dan Mertes
Council Representative Tom Sutherland
Director of Parks & Recreation, Dale Anderson

ABSENT

Star of the North Representative Shannon Wourms
ISD 318 Mark Schroeder

PUBLIC FORUM: (if anyone wishes to address the Board):

None

SETTING THE AGENDA: This is the time for a Board Member to request an addition or removal of an item to the agenda.

Motion made by GRAHA Representative Haarklau, Seconded by At Large Carlson to accept the agenda as written. Voting Yea: GRAHA Representative Haarklau, At Large Carlson, Council Representative Mertes, Council Representative Tom Sutherland

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

APPROVE MINUTES:

1. Approve October 2, 2024, Minutes

**Motion made by At Large Carlson, Seconded by Council Representative Sutherland.
Voting Yea: GRAHA Representative Haarklau, At Large Carlson, Council
Representative Mertes, Council Representative Sutherland**

BUSINESS:

2. Sponsorship for Scoreboard Upgrades

Director of Parks & Recreation, Dale Anderson said that he is working on the East scoreboard replacement, the parts have been unavailable.

3. Pavilion Use Update

Director Anderson stated that the GRAHA usage is approximately 400 hours, where before it was only about 20 hours. The goal is to eventually have 3 sheets and never have a 20 minute resurface time between games, allowing double tournament sizes. This year has been a learning curve and there will be some fine tuning for next year. This also includes using the locker room, which has been working out, but gaps between games did help.

4. GRAHA Concession Agreement Discussion

The Board discussed the Concession Agreement and Director Dale Anderson said that the Agreement for GRAHA is up to date and ironed out for the future. He will talk to the City Administrator Tom Pagel regarding all agreements and limitations in general. This discussion will continue on the next meeting's agenda as there are many things that are intertwined.

5. Dryfloor Events Update

Parks & Recreation Director Dale Anderson gave an update of upcoming events. There are many events coming in the Spring. The ice will be out of the East venue at the end of February and the West venue in April. Besides events in April, the Reif has a Hairball event in May and there will be food trucks and concessions under the Pav. There are already weddings scheduled for this September.

6. Summer Ice Update

July 7th will be the first day of Summer Ice and it will be pretty busy up to August/September. The ice won't go back into the East venue until around October. The ice on the Pav depends on the temperatures, but typically it will have ice roughly November through March, with a possibility for November scrimmages and a late tourney in March.

SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING:

BUSINESS:

1. Pavilion Use
2. GRAHA Concession Agreement Discussion
3. Dryfloor Events
4. Summer Ice

ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned by the Civic Center Board Chair Jeremy Carlson at 7:04pm.

ATTEST:

Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Lyman