



Helena Civic Center Board
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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
CIVIC CENTER BOARD
June 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joann Christnacht, Brad Culver, Mike DaSilva, Skip Hatveltdt, Bridget Holland, Riley Johnson, Judy Kline, Bonnie Lorang, Kacey Pilon, Rick Schlenker, Glenda Seipp, Craig Wilkerson

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Tim Andridge, Kathleen Pace

MEMBERS UNEXCUSED: Steve Crider, Trevor Parrish

OTHERS PRESENT: City Staff: Byron Dike, Troy Sampson, Bridget Johnston

CALL TO ORDER: Board President, Judy Kline called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

MEETING MINUTES: Riley Johnson moved to approve the minutes; Skip Hatveltdt seconded the motion; the minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Brad Culver presented the treasurer's report. There was no activity since the last meeting. He closed the account and turned the funds over to the City. Since Brad no longer needs to write the checks, he suggested that approval of payments go through him now, rather than Joann. He explained how the new process will work for payments, approvals and reporting. Joann Christnacht moved to approve the report, Mike DaSilva seconded the motion; motion passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Judy Kline reported that the letter from the board was hand delivered to the Commission. The board is on the agenda is on the agenda for an admin meeting on June 19 at 4pm in which members can discuss the letter with the Commission. She reported that all board members are invited to attend. Joann asked if the change has been made to put the Civic Center under the Parks department. Judy answered that at this time, her understanding is that an ordinance has been drafted but not approved by the Commission. A discussion ensued involving many members and public regarding the importance of having their voice heard in regards to the items raised in the letter.

COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: NA

STAFF REPORTS

COMMUNITY FACILITIES:

Troy Sampson stated that however any reorganization may shake out, Community Facilities will continue to take care of the building along with any projects for the Civic Center.

CIVIC CENTER:

Byron Dike reported that there have been 12 events since the last meeting. The Needtobreathe concert has over 1600 folks. Senior All Night Party came and went and the Holter Gala last weekend was a sellout. Creative Arts Center had their spring show in the auditorium with @ 600 people. There are four more events to go until summer. Byron said staff is working with Troy on summer projects. Byron also announced that his baby is due soon and he will be out on parental leave from mid-June to mid-July. He said we have a lot of good things in the hopper for next season.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Gery Carpenter stated that he worked with a lot of people in the City and is seeing a lot of turmoil right now. He said that someone needs to be their voice. Bridget Holland asked what are the plans for the City? She said that she was at another meeting recently and it sounded like they want it to be like Portland. Bonnie Lorang said that the urban renewal plan is about developing a historic look downtown. She stated it would be foolish and short-sided to destroy our history.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Bridget Johnston, Administrative Assistant III