

MINUTES of EXPO-ICE CENTER BOARD MEETING

Held Wednesday, January 6, 2016

Location: Expo Merchant's Building – 4921 Expo Drive, Manitowoc WI

Present: J. Vetting, D. Pollen, M. Plate, D. Newberg, M. Bratt, L. Taylor, D. Schaut, B. Cavanaugh, T. Dvorak, R. Voss, R. Zipperer, B. Blatz, D. Fitzgerald, R. Kohlbeck, J. Beyer, B. Herr, J. Hawig, M. Sleik, D. Gauger, K. Behnke, J. Janowski

Pledge of Allegiance

Called to Order Meeting called to order – 7:00pm.

Minutes Minutes were reviewed from the previous meeting. Motion was made by Behnke, seconded by Zipperer, to approve all previous meeting minutes included in the board packet for the month of December. Motion carried unanimously.

Vouchers None.

Public Comment Board Chairperson called for public input. Public Input was provided by the following persons: Juston Branfl, Butch Schultz, Jason Swoboda, Michael Klecker, Mark Kolbad, Don Kiel, Lucy Kujawski, Dennis Bim, Mark Jens, Bob Gentoft, Gary Vondrachek, Patty Simmers, Mari Born, Todd Humphrey, Chuck Winchus, Earl Saroun. (See copy of sign in sheet on last page of minutes)

Review, Discussion and Possible Action to the Public Works Committee - Potential Sale of Expo Property

Discussion by board members on the proposal. Motion by Janowski to not make a recommendation to the Public Works Committee until more information is presented, motion seconded by Zipperer. Discussion. Vote: Aye's 10, Nay's 11 Motion failed. Discussion on procedural issues regarding how to vote on the recommendation and on the pros and cons of the proposed sale. The Board Chairperson then called for a roll call vote to recommend the sale of Expo property to the Public Works Committee. Vote was 15 nays, 6 ayes. Roll call: voting yes were: Blatz, Beyer, Pollen, Hawig, Plate, Behnke; voting no were: Gauger, Newberg, Fitzgerald, Sleik, Taylor, Cavanaugh, Janowski, Schaut, Dvorak, Vetting, Voss, Bratt, Zipperer, Herr, Kohlbeck.

Election of Officers

Jerome Vetting was nominated by Kevin Behnke as the Board Chairman. After three calls for other nominations a motion made by Cavanaugh, seconded by Pollen, that nominations be closed and unanimous ballot be cast for Vetting as committee chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Dick Pollen was nominated by Russ Zipperer as the Board Vice Chairperson. After three calls for other nominations a motion made by Taylor, seconded by Vetting, that nominations be closed and unanimous ballot be cast for Pollen as committee vice chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Michelle Sleik was nominated by Kevin Behnke as the Board Secretary. After three calls for other nominations a motion made by Zipperer, seconded by Pollen, that nominations be closed and unanimous ballot be cast for Sleik as committee secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

Sub-committee assignments

Vetting distributed copies of the subcommittee assignments for the current term.

Review & Act on Subcommittee Recommendations:

A. Finance Subcommittee

1. Advertising-Radio, Newspaper; Lifetime Memberships; 2015 Fair Budget; 2016 Fair Budget

Behnke reported on the following:

- Advertising budget for 2016 remains the same as 2015. Staff will be working on the best division of the monies between the various print and radio outlets.
- Lifetime memberships will not end in 2020 but will be honored until the death of the lifetime member. New cards will need to be issued to lifetime members to curtail pass sharing.

Motion was made by Behnke, seconded by Schaut to approve the committee report and recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Operations Subcommittee

1. No Committee Meeting-Committee Report

Dvorak reported on the home brewing contest for the 2016 County fair.

C. Entertainment/Vendors Subcommittee:

1. Tuesday-Sunday Grandstand and Special Events Entertainment – EWSC Race Contract, Other Grandstand Event Ideas; Indoor Vendor Booth Issues-Rules 2016; Outdoor Vendor Issues-Grease Removal

Voss reported on the following:

- Grandstand Events – EWSC appeared at the subcommittee meeting and presented their proposal for racing on both Tuesday and Wednesday evenings (\$6,500 per night/\$13,000 total) and that no decision on their proposal would be made until the February meeting.
- Reminder to those attending the convention to look for grandstand ideas.

D. Parking/Security Subcommittee:

1. Special Operations Detective Agency (SODA) Contract; Subcommittee Responsibilities and Objectives

Beyer reported on the number of hours contracted with SODA in 2015 and the need to be flexible in contracting for hours in 2016. In the sub-committee a motion was made and passed to recommend to the full board to contract with SODA for the 2016 Fair.

Sub-committee responsibilities and objectives would be discussed at a future meeting.

Motion made by Beyer, seconded by Pollen to approve the committee report and recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action on 2016 Fair Matters

A. Fair Update – No Report

Comptroller's Financial Report – Review

PW Director reported on the Financial Report included in the board packet.

Update and Possible Action on Other Fair, Expo Buildings, and Grounds Projects and Issues

A. WI Association of Fairs Convention – Jan 10-13, 2016

The reservation and registration process were discussed with Pollen being the point person for the Board to get their registration packets from at the Convention. Discussion

B. Rummage-A-Rama – November 12; Volunteer Sign Up; 2016 Dates

Volunteer signup sheet distributed. Discussion.

C. Multi-Purpose Building Update

Neuser reported that a grant request was submitted to the West Foundation and was denied at their December meeting. Resubmittal of the grant is likely. At this time the project is only 50% funded, so preparations are being made to again provide a tent for the swine, sheep and goats for the 2016 County fair.

D. Expo-Ice Center Month Events; Expo Grounds Update

Zipperer reported that the Ant Hill Mob provided beverages at the dartball tournament that was held in the Merchants Building in December, and that they (The Ant Hill Mob) donated \$1,000 of their proceeds to the Expo. The Board asked Zipperer to pass on their gratitude to the Ant Hill Mob.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Janowski, seconded by Zipperer to adjourn at 9:15pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Neuser

Signed by Sleik

Please Sign In

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