

Regular Meeting
RFCCA Board of Managers
Tuesday, August 18, 2020

The meeting of the River Forest Civic Center Authority was called to order on August 18, 2020 by Manager Helene Connolly following the Township Board of Trustees meeting. This meeting was held in person and electronically, by Zoom, per Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-7.

Roll called

Present: Managers Karen Taubman, Mark Kelty, Helene Connolly, Holly Economos and Carla Sloan. Also in attendance, former Trustee Mary Obrien.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Manager Sloan and seconded by Manager Kelty to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 meeting. They were approved unanimously.

Public Participation– None

Approval of Bills:

- A motion was made by Manager Economos and seconded by Manager Kelty to approve Operating Fund bills as of August 31, 2020 in the amount of \$1,656.16. Roll was called. Ayes: Managers Sloan, Economos, Kelty, Connolly, and Taubman. Nays: None. The motion passed unanimously.

- A motion was made by Manager Economos and seconded by Manager Kelty to approve Capital Fund bills as of August 31, 2020 in the amount of \$2,317.11. Roll was called. Ayes: Managers Sloan, Economos, Kelty, Connolly, and Taubman. Nays: None. The motion passed unanimously.

RFCCA Facilities Administrator's Report

Dick Chappell

Dick gave a quick overview and highlighted two items from his annual reports of the Civic Center and Community Center that was passed out at the Annual Town Meeting earlier: 1)The Feasibility Study and 2)Covid-19. These two items dictated the operation of the building over the past year.

- Dick reported that there is roof repair/patching that needs to be done. Dick met with Willy Fellows over the weekend to see how to keep up with the game plan. He will be out here in the next couple of weeks. Dick indicated where the leaks in the building are. The roof is still in good shape for its age, however.

- Dick talked about the hiring of cleaning crews in light of Covid-19 needs. Now a crew is coming on weekends as a secondary job, and Dick is trying to get quotes from other companies.

RFCC Executive Director's Report

Dick Chappell

- The summer camp program is winding down, another week or so to go. Enrollment was 20-25% of what it should be, but those who used the program were very complimentary.
- Dick is taking steps toward opening their early childhood program, both full and half-day. He does not have an idea what the enrollment is going to be. Dick has advertised a supplementary program to District #90's remote learning, a work in progress to at least the middle of September. This is a complementary, larger variation to the school day in the manner of the before and after school program at the Center. Dick talked about the cost for participation. He also talked about other similar programs being run in River Forest and Oak Park. The Center will be updating with Comcast which is the best option to help with the remote learning. Dick had spoken to three different providers about this.
- Dick talked about the continued uncertainty of any District #200's decision on the Center's programming at the high school. There are approximately 35 participants ready to go. Dick talked about the financial perils and staffing issues if the program cannot be held there.
- As part of Phase 4 of Illinois's Covid response, they are trying to develop some sports type programs starting in early September. There are only a couple of other rec programs that they are able to offer here and there and are not a priority.
- There will probably be no Halloween party at the Center this year.

Unfinished Business

- Carla spoke about the status of the RFCCA Building Feasibility Study. There will be 1) a development of a matrix of the criteria looking at the three options we have; and 2) determining the financing of such a large project.

New Business—None

Announcement of the next regular meeting: The next meeting will take place Tuesday, September 15, 2020 following the 6:00 pm regular monthly meeting of the River Forest Township Board of Trustees.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Manager Sloan and seconded by Manager Kelty to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Abby Schmelling, Secretary

