

CITY OF VERGAS
Event Center Advisory Minutes
Vergas Event Center & Zoom Teleconference
6:30 P.M. on Wednesday, August 3, 2022

The City of Vergas Event Center Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson Logan Dahlgren on Wednesday, August 3, 2022 at 6:34 pm with the following members present: Logan Dahlgren, Julie Lammers, Paul Haarstick, Paul Pinke, Lyle Krieg and Mary Ditterich. Absent: Vanessa Perry. Guests included: none.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Pinke, seconded by Haarstick to add “Artwork” and approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Pinke, seconded by Krieg to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Recommendations

No updates

Artwork

Jerry Thurman has framed, old newspapers that we found when the Tweetons had renovated the Fredholm house located on East Spirit Lake. Current owner has no use and was wondering if the City would like them. Motion by Haarstick, seconded by Pinke to thank them for the offer, but politely decline. Current owners should ask the Otter Tail County Historical Society if they would like to view them. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation from Custom Concrete Coatings

Vendor was not present to make demonstration. Lammers showed some samples of the work and an estimate from them. Lammers updated the committee on the Blandin Foundation grant in partnership with the Vergas Community Club. The \$50,000 grant would hopefully pay for new flooring, painting, doors between the kitchen and main area, and a commercial freezer. Motion by Pinke, seconded by Haarstick to recommend to Council to move forward with applying for the grant.

Building Update

Thermostat covers have been replaced. A new thermostat with remote access has been installed in the main area of the Event Center and will allow city staff to remotely manage the temperature.

2022 Income and Expense

Lammers presented to the committee the income and expense report.

2023 Budget

Lammers presented the revised budget. Service orgs are strongly encouraged to complete lease paperwork when renting the facility.

Free or Reduced Rent Policy

Motion by Haarstick, seconded by Ditterich to recommend to Council to approve the Free or Reduced Rent Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Lion’s Lease Agreement

Tabled until September 7, 2022. Lammers has offered to attend a Lion’s meeting to answer any questions. Lammers will connect with Lion’s members to answer any outstanding questions.

Electronic Sign

Still looking for advertisers for the remaining spot on the sign.

Council Recommendations

- Move forward with applying for the Blandin Foundation grant with the Vergas Community Club.
- Approve the Free or Reduced Rent Policy and form.

Follow up Actions

- None

The business for which the meeting was called having been completed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Haarstick, Secretary

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