

CITY OF VERGAS  
Event Center Advisory Minutes  
Vergas Event Center & Zoom Teleconference  
5:30 P.M. on Wednesday, February 1, 2023

The City of Vergas Event Center Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson Paul Pinke on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at 5:42 pm with the following members present: Paul Pinke, Julie Lammers, Mary Ditterich, Paul Haarstick, Vanessa Perry, Lyle Krieg, and Bev Flateland. Absent: none. Guests included: none.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Motion by Perry, seconded by Ditterich to approve the agenda with the additions of “Lion’s Appreciation Dinner”, “Electricity in Kitchen”, and “Community Club”. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Lammers, seconded by Perry to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Council Recommendations**

- A. Rental Ad on Sign: The ad space for rental information on the electronic sign was approved. Installation will begin in the spring.
- B. Event Center Flooring: Custom Concrete Coatings was approved to replace the flooring in the Event Center.

**2022 Income and Expense**

No update was provided.

**Fundraising Events**

- A. Gun Raffle: Continue promoting the gun raffle tickets at area businesses.
- B. Purse Bingo: Tickets are sold out for Purse Bingo. Event will happen on Saturday, February 4.
- C. Rummage Sale: No progress has been made on the rummage sale, will wait until previous two fundraisers conclude to make decisions.

**Electronic Sign**

Ad spaces for rental information have been approved and will be installed in the spring.

**Building Update**

Lammers stated that volunteers are needed to help remove items from the Event Center on Monday (2/6/23) morning so that the contractor can start removal of the old flooring. Sunday (2/5/23) we may need people to help take down chairs and tables from the Purse Bingo event. Discussed the list of items that needed to be removed. Lammers said that the toilets will need to be removed and will be replaced with new ones. The current toilets have aged and have become a persistent maintenance issue. Discussed the possible need for a mobile storage unit to store moved items.

**Lion’s Appreciation Dinner**

On March 11, the Lion’s will be hosting an appreciation dinner for residents and businesses in Vergas. They requested if it would be possible to use the Event Center for free. Lammers stated that the policy requires them to fill out an application. They will fill out the application and the Advisory Board will meet on Monday morning to discuss recommending to council.

**Electricity in Kitchen**

Ditterich said she spoke with Jeff Zitzow who stated that there is electrical on the wall where the ovens are. Discussed the need to wait until Joy Summers has finished the layout of the kitchen until appliances are purchased or electrical work starts.

**Community Club**

There was a question if the Community Club would be providing volunteers to help on Monday and if they knew about the gun raffle. Perry reminded the Advisory Board that she is a part of the Community Club and is their representative. She stated that Community Club members have been made aware of the gun raffle, and once Purse Bingo finishes they will work to promote those ticket sales.

**2023 Meeting Dates and Times**

Through consensus, the meetings will move to the first Tuesday each month starting in March. Then from May to September, the meetings will move to the first Wednesdays. Finally, the October, November, and December meetings will be on the first Tuesday.

**Event Center Inspection**

Advisory Board members recessed to tour and inspect the facility and see what items need to be moved for the work to start on Monday.

**Council Recommendations**

- None

**Follow up Actions**

- None

The business for which the meeting was called having been completed, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Haarstick, Recording Secretary