

Meeting Minutes: Civic Center Committee Planning Meeting

Tues., Jan 14, 2020 8:00 am

In attendance: Rick Dente, Brent Gagne, Art Dessureau, Charlie Atwood, Sue Higby
Jon Valsangiacomo

Absent: Brad Ormsby

Others in attendance: Jeff Bergeron, Steven E. Mackenzie, Stephanie Quaranta, Jim McWilliam, Dawn Monahan

Minutes taken by: Charlie Atwood
Meeting called to order by Chair Sue Higby .

Topics Discussed:

Reviewed previous minutes.
Multi Year Agreement price confirmed at \$1,475 for this year
Art makes motion to accept, Brent seconds

Reviewed Jeff's proposed Civic Center Rate Sheet for FY20-21
Proposal has BOR keeping the same rate, all others 5% increase

Area ice rinks – Montpelier, Waterbury, Stowe all \$5 - \$10 less than BOR

Discuss dropping BOR rates, non-peak hour rates, and effect on BOR usage

Art motions to leave Aud rate at \$1,550 for existing customers with a \$2,000 rate for new renters, and decreasing BOR rates from \$215/hr to \$205/hr

Charlie amends with a \$1,750 rate for new customers. Jon seconds. Amendment passes.

Art motion on Aud pricing, with amendment, and BOR reduced rates passes

New Aud customers - \$1,750 per day, existing customers within 2 years - \$1,550 per day, long term contract - \$1,475 per day. BOR hourly rate - \$205/hr

Sue inquired on softest days for renting Aud and possibly using a reduced rate.

Jeff states Aud has limited 9-5 weekday use from November to Mid-March

John states BYSA Basketball uses it on weekdays from 5-8 from Mid-November to Mid-February. BYSA has had difficulty getting this time. Important to serve community.

Jeff states April to October is soft on weekdays. Thursday night might be good to try.

Art motions \$1,000/day Aud Rental for Monday thru Thursday, June 1st to September 30
Charlie seconds. Motion passes.

Digital sign

John states renter and event get posted on board. "Sponsored by" is questionable wording. Renters name and event agreed to be used.

Sue proposes a Workgroup for New Revenue. Explore grants, solar panels, fees, etc
Three meetings by May. Brent, Charlie, Brad, and Sue.

Jim McWilliam, Marketing agent report: -

Open banner and board available. Has good leads to fill.

Jim to speak to Kiwanis club on Monday @ 6:00 and will represent Civic Center

Collegiate basketball games at Aud successful

Proposing Stone Cutter Tournament. Eight regional Adult League teams in late April

Mutua, Elks, VFW sponcered a banner. He'll look for similar organizations

Jeff Bergeron, Facilities MGR Report

BOR is up and running successfully.

Aud use review

He's finishing BOR Safety upgrade with Simplex. Needs protective covers on sensors.

Parking lot reconfiguration is working well.

Scrubbed and finished Aud floors.

Recreation Dept. Report – Stephanie Quaranta

Dabble day program on February 1st

Rec Association will have all-day training

Art suggests working with Barre Partnership. Stacy Lewis.

Appreciation to Dawn Monahan for her work on the expenses.

Agreed to try to have the BYSA Hockey representative come in.

Meeting Adjourned