

GREATER ROCHESTER SPORTS AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

on
September 4, 2007

Members Present: William Sentiff, Geff Yancey, Tom Frey

Others Present: Robin Finnerty, Gary Larder, Jim LeBeau, Reinhard Gsellmeier, Judy Seil, Rick Benway

Mr. Sentiff, presiding as Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.

Mr. Sentiff noted that a quorum was present.

Minutes of the July 3rd meeting were reviewed. Mr. Frey moved their acceptance, Mr. Yancey seconded; approved unanimously.

Mr. LeBeau distributed the final version of the 2006 GRSA audit. He noted that the 2006 GROSFC audit was accepted by the GROSFC board at its August meeting.

Mr. LeBeau has received some correspondence from New York State regarding Authority information being located on a web site. He will review this with Mr. Turner and respond as needed.

Mr. Benway gave an update on the Stadium Improvement Project. At this time, the project is projected to be under budget by \$155,000. He noted that the Painting contractor will be submitting a change order for additional labor and equipment charges due to the fact that extra events were hosted at the Stadium that were not originally on the schedule. This caused a delay in the project. Mr. Yancey asked that the County negotiate with the contractor to get the best payment.

The caulking and joint replacement projects are in progress. The Pike Company will return to the Stadium to repair one section of the Stadium and perform additional work that is needed.

Mr. Benway noted that the Monroe County Parks Department will be at the Stadium later today to take all of the sod from the field to be used at Monroe County Parks. Field replacement is scheduled to begin shortly.

Mr. Benway stated that all of the Stadium Improvement projects are expected to be completed on time. At the next meeting, Mr. Benway and Mr. LeBeau will present several project options for the remaining \$155,000. Potential projects include: Outfield padding, bathroom floors, caulking, or, assuming that there are no issues with the field replacement project, request that the money be returned to GROSFC.

Mr. LeBeau distributed the current financial reports for GRSA and GROSFC. Mr. Yancey asked that the prior month financials be listed on the report next to the current month.

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Mr. Larder distributed the attendance numbers and stated that the final number will be over 281,000, short of the 300,000 goal. The season attendance numbers ended up good after a slow start due to the weather in July and August. The Red Wings did not make the playoffs this year and their season is over.

Mr. LeBeau noted that there were several major events hosted at the Stadium this summer. These include the Music Festival, The Puerto Rican Festival, a boxing event, and Brew Fest. He will provide final reports for all of the third party events at the next meeting.

The Red Wings and Stadium management will be sending out letters to past field users letting them know that no third party events will be allowed on the field in 2008 due to the new field being installed. Events will be able to return in the 2009 season.

Mr. LeBeau noted that the Parking and Security contracts need to be reviewed. The current companies need to be notified that their contract will not be renewed and a Request for Proposal will be issued for these services. The Board will review these contracts next month after all final numbers for the season have been presented.

Mr. Sentiff reviewed the request from the Monroe County Sports Commission for \$225,000 for its operating budget. Mr. Frey stated that he does not think the Sports Authority should be funding the Sports Commission. Upon motion by Mr. Yancey, seconded by Mr. Sentiff, approved by a two to one vote, the board approved allotting the Monroe County Sports Commission \$225,000 for one year for operating expenses.

The tour of Frontier Field for board members was postponed and rescheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at 8:00 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 AM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:30 AM at Frontier Field.

Submitted by:
Robin Finnerty