

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
WALTER GERRELLS CIVIC CENTER ADVISORY BOARD  
LIBRARY ANNEX  
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016 AT 6:00 PM

Voting Members Present: Danita McCormick, Chairperson  
Pat Florez  
Steve Sauer  
Robert Young  
Linda Wiggins (arrived at 6:15pm)  
Michelle Navarrette (arrived at 6:22 pm)

Voting Members Absent:

Ex-officio Members Present:

Ex-officio Members Absent: Dale Janway, Mayor  
Steve McCutcheon, City Administrator

Others Present: Curtis McKinney, Manager  
Steve Hendley, Director of Sports & Recreation  
Jason Shirley, City Councilor

**1 ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by Danita McCormick, Chairperson. It was determined there was a quorum.

**2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Robert motioned to approve the Agenda, Steve Sauer seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Yes – McCormick, Florez, Sauer, Young No – None Absent – Wiggins, Navarrette. The motion passed.

**3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 1, 2015**

Steve Sauer said a correction is needed in heading. Instead of absent it needs to be changed to present as all those listed as absent were indeed at last month's meeting. Steve motioned to approve after the changes Pat seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Yes – McCormick, Florez, Sauer, No – None Absent – Wiggins, Navarrette. The motion passed.

**4 BOARD MEMBER UPDATE:** Danita said someone gave her a name for the vacant board seat. Mark Barrela, he works for the schools. She said she hasn't spoken to him and is unsure of what ward he is in. But he is a grant writer and she thought that would be good for the board.

**5 OTHER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:**

Curtis said December was a busy month. Intrepid had an event, Harding Webster had their Dance program, and WIPP was out there. Curtis said that on December 28th part of the roof at the Civic Center collapsed. He said he watched the security footage it all happened about 2:00 in the afternoon you could see the roof split, then about 20 minutes later you can see a pipe bust and you just see a bunch of gushing

water. Part of the building collapsed about 7:50 pm. Curtis clarified that the main part of the building did not collapse it was the metal addition to the main part. Curtis said from what he could see the main auditorium is not damaged, the back stage area was. He said now the backstage up to the equipment room has started to collapse. You can see the I-beams bending where the weight of the collapse is pulling the rest of the backstage down.

Curtis said the first few rows in the auditorium are damaged from the water as well as the carpet. Danita asked where the water went. Curtis said he assumed it was drained. Steve Hendley said his crew didn't go in there to drain it. Robert asked what happen to the water. He said they need to check if there might be holes or something under the floor. Steve Sauer said he's not too concerned about mildew, but if there are cracks and it starts to corrode then you might have a floor collapse. Steve Hendley said he would bring that up to the insurance adjuster when he gets there.

Curtis said the annex wasn't damaged at all with the exception of the power. XCEL told him he would have to put in a box and then XCEL would power it up. He turned off the fire suppression system to stop the water, if we can cap that off we can just get the water to the Annex back on. Then we should be able to get the Annex in use.

Steve Hendley said good news is FEMA may get involved; we could get some disaster relief money or insurance money. We were planning on redoing the electrical and there is money there so that might be the good news. But moving the electricity might be a bigger deal. They can't do anything until the insurance adjuster sees the building. Steve said the insurance adjuster is supposed to be here sometime this week.

Curtis asked if the Annex has to be brought up to standard before the electricity can be reconnected is that something that can be filed on the insurance. Cause it was fine until the accident.

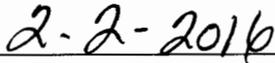
Curtis said he has postponed the events for January until further notice. Danita asked about how long it will take for the repairs. Councilor Shirley said probably no sooner than a month and hopefully no longer than three months.

Curtis said they gave away 100 hams for the holidays and some coupons for some discounted items. Robert said that was good way to help the community. Robert said that shows we have a good leader at the Civic Center.

Danita asked for Steve Hendley to keep her updated on the repairs of the Civic Center and she will email the board. This way they can keep things moving along.

**6** Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:41 pm. Steve motioned to adjourn. Robert seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Yes – McCormick, Florez, Sauer, Young, Wiggins, Navarrette No – None Absent- None. The motion passed.

  
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Chairperson

  
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