Chair of the Board, Dan Kline called the meeting to order at 8:16 a.m. with the following Board members present: Donna Winkler, Mike Diedrich, and Gary Brown. Staff present include: Executive Director, Craig Baltzer; Deputy Director/Finance, Tracy Heitsch; Deputy Director/Events, Jayne Kraemer; and Accounting Clerk, Pat Koerlin. Others present include: Assistant City Attorney, Jess Rogers; and Central States Fair Representative, Silvia Christen.

After review of the meeting agenda, motion was made by Brown and seconded Winkler to approve the agenda as presented. Upon vote being taken, the motion carried unanimously.

Brad Estes arrived 8:18.

General Public Comment
Silvia Christen with the Central States Fair stated they are getting ready for the Fair which is starting this Friday. Ticket sales are on track from last year, which was a good year. They are excited about the Extreme Broncs event, which will be broadcast on CBS Sports in about 10 days. Governor Kristi Noem will be present at the Grand Entry. Christen also mentioned that Cory Ferguson has left his position and they wish him well.

Christen wanted to welcome everyone to the fair. Baltzer asked if they were having any water issues due to all the rain. Christen said their drainage is efficient, and they have brought in gravel to help in some areas.

Minutes
Motion was made by Brown and seconded by Diedrich to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2019, meeting as presented. Upon vote being taken, the motion carried unanimously.

Bill List
The 2019 Bill List for August 13, 2019, was audited.
Motion was made by Winkler and seconded by Diedrich and carried to authorize the Finance Officer to issue warrants or treasurers checks, drawn on proper funds, in payment thereof.

Executive Director’s Update
Craig Baltzer stated that the ground breaking ceremony for the new arena will most likely be the end of October. The naming rights partnership announcement will be soon, therefore, working on timing for both.

The Mortensen Superintendent now lives in Rapid City and will be handling the site information. He will be moving forward and continuing on site layout and plans. They are working diligently with BHSS&R on parking and loading areas during construction. The goal will be to contain the construction equipment to the northwest parking area and not spread out too much. Baltzer said we are comfortable with the initial plan. Once construction starts, the Board Room will be used for a contractor meeting room. Additional rooms above the west concourse will be utilized over the next two years for contractor offices.

Estes left at 8:43.

Baltzer brought up the subject of interdepartmental charges with the Board. Discussion followed. No action taken.

Christen left at 9am.

Kline asked about the staffing plans for the new arena. He would like to see the plan in the near future. He is anxious to review the overall revenue and expenses as projected for the new arena. Baltzer said the team is currently discussing these items. Our department heads are working diligently on this process in an effort to be as efficient as possible with future operations.
Kline opened discussion on future use of the overall facility, including the new arena as it pertains to the BHSSR and Rodeo Rapid City. Discussion followed. No action taken.

Miscellaneous
None

There being no further business, motion was made by Brown and seconded by Diedrich to adjourn the meeting. Upon vote being taken, the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

I certify a true and accurate accounting of the minutes of the meeting.

Pat Koerlin, Accounting Clerk

Date