RUSHMORE PLAZA CIVIC CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019

Vice-Chair of the Board, Gary Brown, called the meeting to order at 8:16 a.m. with the following Board members present: Dan Kline (via conference call), Donna Winkler, Mike Diedrich, and Brad Estes. Staff present include: Executive Director, Craig Baltzer; Deputy Director/Finance, Tracy Heitsch; Deputy Director/Events, Jayne Kraemer; and Accounting Clerk, Pat Koerlin. Liaisons present include: City Council, Chad Lewis; RCAS, Jared Vasquez and Jordan Bauer; and VRC, Julie Jensen. Others present include: Assistant City Attorney, Jess Rogers.

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

General Public Comment

None

Minutes

Motion was made by Estes and seconded by Winkler to approve the minutes of October 8, 2019, meeting as presented. Upon vote being taken, the motion carried unanimously.

Bill List

The 2019 Bill List for October 22, 2019, was audited.

A & B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS INC A&B WELDING SUPPLY CO INC A&J SCREENING-PARK BENCH APPAREL ACE HARDWARE-WEST ALSCO INC AMERICAN ADVERTISING FEDERATION AMERICAN TIME & SIGNAL BBJ LINEN BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY BROWN'S SMALL ENGINE REPAIR CARBONHOUSE CARQUEST AUTO PARTS CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING COMPANY CBH COOPERATIVE CD PRO-POWER CORDS INC CHEXCEL CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY CITY OF RAPID CITY COCA-COLA OF THE BLACK HILLS CONVERGINT TECHNOLOGIES LLC COPY COUNTRY INC. DAKOTA BATTERY/ELECTRIC DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP DENNIS SUPPLY DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT CTR DIMOCK DAIRY INC EASTMAN SOUND & MUSIC ERIC HARASYN FASTENAL COMPANY FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC FISHER BEVERAGE COMPANY INC GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES INC HEARTLAND PAPER CO	1415.86 46.55 350.00 22.64 1661.87 660.00 1237.01 1994.00 132.20 3895.75 600.00 25.98 8822.60 82.60 553.41 25.00 600.00 3234.84 11522.25 588.13 19.98 688.61 912.37 525.39 155.07 221.43 55.00 186.39 4.72 970.39 179.70 535.00 1390.04
GOLDEN WEST TECHNOLOGIES INC	535.00

JOAN'S PLANT SERVICE JOHNSON BROTHERS OF SD KIEFFER SANITATION INC KNECHT HOME CENTER KONE INC KT CONNECTIONS INC LONE PINE KOMBUCHA LLC M G OIL CO MAS PRODUCTION RESOURCES LLC MATHESON TRI-GAS INC MENARDS MIDWEST MARKETING NATIONAL ASSOC OF CONCESSIONAIRES NORTH CENTRAL SUPPLY INC NORTHERN TRUCK EQUIPMENT CORP NORTHWEST PIPE FITTINGS INC PARKWAY CAR WASH INC PARKWAY CAR WASH INC PARTS TOWN LLC PITNEY BOWES PRAIRIE AUTO PARTS PRECISION POURS INC PROMOTION PHYSICAL THERAPY PROUD PROFESSIONALS QUALITY BRANDS OF THE BLACK HILLS QUILL LLC R & R SPECIALITIES INC RAPID CITY JOURNAL - ADVERTISING REPUBLIC NATIONAL DISTRIBUTING COMPANY RUNNINGS SUPPLY INC RUSHMORE EQUIPMENT LLC SAM'S CLUB SERVALL UNIFORM/LINEN CO INC SIGN EXPRESS SIMPSON'S PRINTING SNA SPORTS GROUP STOTZ EQUIPMENT SURE BET ASSOCIATION (SBA) SYSCO MONTANA INC	287.89	
US FOOD SERVICE	5249.51	
VERIZON WIRELESS	3460.60	
WATERTREE INC	117.45	
WESTERN COMMUNICATIONS INC	3203.81	
WESTERN STATIONERS	136.94	
	Total 110,880.55	

Motion was made by Winkler and seconded by Brown and carried to authorize the Finance Officer to issue warrants or treasurers checks, drawn on proper funds, in payment thereof.

Liaison Reports

<u>Visit Rapid City</u>- Julie Jensen commented on the success of the Pow Wow Blessing Reception. Dan Tribby was presented the first BH Pow Wow Hildebrand Memorial Award. She feels the Pow Wow attendance was down due to the bad weather. Jensen said that we continue to have many international visitors and distinguished guests for this event. VRC has started working on LNI and said the Red Carpet Greeting event is set for December 17 at 4:00pm, and the Prairie Edge reception is the 3rd week in November. She would like to encourage everyone to attend both of these events. Jensen also discussed their appreciation tour to Pierre last week. The met with many organizations including the HS Activities Assn, SD Municipal League, Governor's Office, etc, plus attended the SD Association of CVB

Meeting. They also met last week with the Family Travel Association of South Dakota working on bidding events for Fall 2020. Baltzer commended on the NCAA bid process previously discussed, and how he met with SDSM&T director on the subject. Baltzer said it will take years of developing and the economic impact may be tremendous.

RC Council – Chad Lewis said he did a facilities tour of area schools and came away with strong opinion on the facilities issue. He also commented on his support of the new downtown lighting project that is under way. Lewis said the bridge crosswalk on Omaha Street didn't get passed the first time, and the project is coming back for consideration. He feels since 82% of the cost of the study is being funded by a grant, it is important to relook at. Omaha street is a DOT highway, and with the growth in Rapid City the current crosswalk will not be feasible in the future. Baltzer said he was asked to write an opinion as he supports the option of bringing the study forward again.

RC Schools – Jered Vasquez mentioned their appreciation of the new volleyball standards to be used during LNI and State Volleyball tournaments. They are anticipating a big wrestling invite and have been asked by more teams for the possibility of attending. The competitiveness is growing and there will be more spectators. They hope to expand to the junior varsity level eventually. Class A Combined Basketball is coming up. Vasquez asked about RPCC's Emergency Action Plan. Baltzer assured him we have plans in place in conjunction with law enforcement. Kraemer mentioned she will get the information over to Vasquez and Bauer.

Financial Information

Tracy Heitsch discussed the working financial papers as of and ending in the month of September 2019 YOY comparison through 2015. We are moving into our busy season, therefore, revenue will pick up. Due to some changes at the state level, the BBB Tax timing is overstated slightly. The success of events such as Regional Hospital Gala and Bob Seger Concert have seen an increase in numbers. The Board accepts this as information.

Executive Director's Update

Craig Baltzer reviewed the meeting last week regarding the new arena. He feels it is moving in the right direction and a lot has been accomplished in examining the numbers. The budget issue is being neutralized and add alternates are working back into the project. Working on prioritizing and ranking. Ground breaking and naming rights will be a social event set for late afternoon November 16. Lewis left the meeting at 8:55.

Baltzer said there will be a lot of discussion on increasing staff in some departments, plus to see what our staff needs will be in booking events. The new booking software is very universal and will help in the future with companies like Venue Coalition. Baltzer and Kraemer are leaving Sunday for the IEBA Conference in Nashville, which is a great place to connect with talent agents in our industry. Several meetings are already set up. Baltzer also mentioned to keep in mind prospective individuals for the board member position that will be coming available in later January when Donna Winkler's term expires. This weekend is the Rush Hockey home opener Friday and Saturday, plus PBR event Saturday.

Miscellaneous

Heitsch mentioned the next meeting will be November 12. Followed by November 26, December 10, and December 24. The January 14, 2020, meeting has no Bill List and will be a business meeting only, if needed. January 22 will be a Bill List only, and January 28 meeting will be a regular meeting with a Bill List.

There being no further business, Brown adjourned the meeting at 9:06am
I certify a true and accurate accounting of the minutes of the meeting.
Pat Koerlin, Accounting Clerk
Date