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***Springfield
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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2024

12:00 PM

The regular Board Meeting of the Springfield Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority was called to order at 12:00 PM in the Boardroom of the Bank of Springfield Center by Chairman Mike Coffey, Jr..

A roll call was taken and the following Board Members were present, representing a quorum:

Ms. Goza
Ms. Grant
Ms. Lesko
Mr. Loftus
Mr. Mills
Ms. Simpson
Mr. Smarjesse
Mr. Young

Also present were Jodi Davis, General Manager; Janet Jennings, Dir. of Finance; Rich Sherwood, Dir. of Operations; Scott Dahl, SCVB; Bridgette Fox, UIS-Springfield; Jim Dickey.

Mr. Coffey lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Coffey asked if there were any statements from visitors or guests.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve Action Items A & B, which were the Board Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2024 and the Lease Contracts. A motion was made by Ms. Simpson, and seconded by Mr. Mills. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

There was no Chairman's report presented at this meeting.

Mr. Coffey called upon Ms. Goza to give the Finance Committee Report. Ms. Goza stated that the Finance Committee met at 11:55 AM.

Ms. Goza stated that the Finance Committee approved the list of bills as presented, but needed full Board approval.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve the list of bills. A motion was made by Mr. Young, and seconded by Ms. Simpson. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

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Ms. Goza stated that there were three (3) expenditures over \$1,000.00, but needed full Board approval.

1. AIRmaster - \$2,024.14...Walk-in Freezer Repair
2. Delphi Consulting - \$2,984.94...Time & Attendance Annual Subscription & Cloud Service
3. LRS - \$5,160.00...Wifi Access Point upgrade for Meeting Rooms, Terrace, Lobby, Dressing Rooms & VIP Room

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve the expenditures over \$1,000.00. A motion was made by Mr. Mills, and seconded by Ms. Simpson. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

There was no General Counsel report presented at this meeting.

Ms. Davis presented the General Managers report. Ms. Davis stated that the busy season is in full swing.

Ms. Davis stated that the Revival Night with Zach Williams, which was on Friday, October 11th was a good show, with a good turnout. She stated that the Ansar Shrine Circus will be here in November, the Capitol City Shootout will be here in December and the Harlem Globetrotters will be here in January.

Ms. Davis stated that she has received an answer back from both Coke and Pepsi regarding sponsorships. She stated that Pepsi has offered a \$5,000 a year Sponsorship plus rebate & Coke has offered a \$3,000 a year Sponsorship plus rebate. Ms. Davis stated that she felt that the Pepsi Sponsorship was good based on the current history that The Center has with them. Mr. Coffey inquired about the number of items that are listed. Ms. Davis stated that the bottled drinks are for the concession stands and vending machines, the canned drinks are for bar service and/or special requests from events.

Mr. Young inquired about Sponsorships with beer/liquor distributors. Ms. Davis stated that based on the current liquor license, a distributor cannot be a Sponsor for a reseller. Mr. Coffey requested that Mr. Reichert check and confirm that to be the case.

Mr. Coffey called upon Mr. Reichert to remind the Board of the requirement to have a meeting of the Decennial Committee after the regular meeting adjourned. Mr. Reichert stated that the Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency Act was passed in June of 2022 and applies to taxing bodies in Illinois but not municipalities. The Decennial Committee is required meet at minimum three times to perform the review and analysis, with assistance of staff, that is required by the Act. In December, the Decennial Committee has to file the report it will produce with the County. The Committee will be dissolved until the Board is required to a new Committee in another 10 years. The Act required at least two (2) citizen members, appointed by the Chairman; Scott Dahl, Director of the Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Rich Sherwood, the Director of Operations for the Center, were appointed by Mr. Coffey and were in attendance to participate in today's Committee meeting. He stated that the regular meeting will adjourn and then the Decennial Committee meeting will convene. There will be a public comment section for any guest from the public who attend the meeting.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Mr. Mills, and seconded by Mr. Young. A voice vote was taken, motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Tracy Motter
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Mr. Mike Coffey, Jr.
Chairman