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***Springfield
Metropolitan
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BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 20, 2021
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:

Mr. Ettinger
Mr. Loftus
Ms. Meyer
Mr. Mills
Mr. Spiro
Ms. Squires
Ms. Yeager
Mr. Young

Also present were Brian Oaks, General Manager; Jodi Davis, Assistant General Manager; Bruce Stratton, Legal Counsel; James Dickey.

Mr. Coffey asked if there were any statements from visitors or guests. There were none.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve Action Item A & B, which were the Board Meeting Minutes from August 16, 2021 & the Lease Contracts. A motion was made by Mr. Mills, and seconded by Ms. Meyer. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

There was no Chairman's report at this meeting.

Mr. Coffey called upon Mr. Mills to give the Finance Committee Report. Mr. Mills stated that the Finance Committee met at 11:45 AM.

Mr. Mills 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. Meyer. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

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Mr. Mills stated that there were two (2) expenditures over \$1,000.00, but needed full Board approval.

1. IEBA Conference (Nashville, TN) - \$1,700.00...Registration, Hotel & Travel Expenses
2. Insperity - \$2,984.43...Yrly Maintenance Subscription for Timestar

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

There was no General Counsel report at this meeting.

Mr. Oaks presented the General Manager report. Mr. Oaks stated that this past month has been the busiest since the pandemic began. He informed the Board that the IL Firefighters Association and the IL Healthcare Association both came back for their annual conferences. And this past weekend was the Theresa Caputo Live event, which had about 2,000 people in attendance. The month will end with the IL Association of School Administrators.

Mr. Oaks stated that due to the new mask mandate, there have been a couple events that have cancelled their October events. Due to those cancellations, the month will be a little slower than anticipated. However, the Masonic Grand Lodge and Hanson will still be holding their events.

Mr. Oaks stated that there will be a couple of Capital Improvement projects coming up in the next few months. He informed the Board that the Main Hall curtain system needs updating/replaced, the Lower Level sound system need replaced and the Garage system needs to be upgraded.

Mr. Oaks stated that he will be attending the IEBA Conference in Nashville, TN at the start of October. He stated that it will be a little bit of an interesting conference since the industry is still a little bit in limbo. But it will be good to meet with some of the promoters and agents again to get an idea of what everyone expects future bookings to look like.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Ms. Meyer, and seconded by Ms. Yeager. A voice vote was taken, motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Tracy Motter
Executive Secretary

Mr. Mike Coffey, Jr.
Chairman