

COMMUNITY FACILITIES ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 2008

5:30 P.M.

CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS

WELCOME & ROLL CALL Greg Starks, Chairperson, Lance Nichols, Justin Banning, Rick Sowers, Ann Torrey, and Terry Williams. Ed Elam, County Administrator and Ken Strobel, City Manager. Absent: Pat Shrader

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of June 19, 2008 minutes. Justin Banning moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Terry Williams. Motion carried, 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Financial Report: Nannette Pogue, City Clerk presented the Sales Tax Comparison Report and the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures Report. Terry Williams reminded the Board that the Series B Bonds (Dodge City Raceway Park) were paid off in June 2008.
2. Southwest Sports: Gary Turner and Ed Kimminau presented the Board with a proposal to oversee the 2009 programs at Legends Park. The funding request would be \$50,000 for operations/administration fees for the seconded half of the 2 year contract, \$25,000 to sponsor the NAFA Super "C" softball tournament, and up to \$25,000 for a new program involving mini baseball clinics for youth with the help of the Dodge City A's baseball team. The total request is for \$100,000. Glenn Kerbs, President of the Dodge City A's baseball program stated that the clinics would involve the A's coaches and team members. This would be a way to involve the A's in the community and at the same time provide financial support for the team. Greg Starks moved to approve the total recommendation of \$100,000 to go to the City and County Commission for inclusion in the 2009 budget, seconded by Ann Torrey. Motion was carried 5-1. Rick Sowers opposed.
3. Dodge City Community College: John Ewy presented a proposal for consideration to use the AM radio station at the college for local and tourist information. The radius of the AM coverage reaches a 60 mile area. Justin Banning recommended that the station work with local attractions and businesses, along with talking to the new Arts and Tourism Director. The consensus of the committee was to not include the proposal in the 2009 budget.

If a reasonable accommodation is necessary to participate in a City of Dodge City event or service please contact us at 225-8100, 225-8155 TDD or by contacting the Kansas Relay Center at 1-800-766-3777.

4. Update & Report on Cavalier Field: In the absence of Paul Lewis, Ken Strobel presented an update of the projects at Cavalier Field. The Cavalier restroom facility project is underway. The budget for the project was \$125,000 and the cost estimate for the facility came in at \$119,300. The project called for the existing decorative fence at the Cavalier entrance to tie into the new restroom facility, but the cost would have put the project over budget. Rick Sowers moved to approve the additional cost for the decorative fence in the amount of \$10,000 in the 2008 budget, seconded by Lance Nichols. Motion passed 6-0.
5. Legends Complex Sign: Ken Strobel presented information for Paul Lewis. Two different versions of an LED sign were submitted for the Board's review. The Board was interested in the signs, but Rick Sowers said that the City really needed signs at Dodge City Raceway Park, the new Soccer Complex, and the Civic Center along with Legends Park. The Board suggested that more information be presented for signs for all the above locations and that staff look into the height of the signs and the size of the LED screens. Ann Torrey moved to request that staff obtain design and cost for the four signs, and report back to the Board, seconded by Lane Nichols. Motion carried 6-0.
6. Tourism Coordinator: Ken Strobel announced that Bob Lancaster was hired as the new Arts and Tourism Director for the City. Bob will start the new position on Monday, September 29, 2008 and his office will be located at City Hall. This position will be funded by the "Why Not Dodge" fund. The position will oversee the implementation of the Master Tourism Plan, work with local attractions, and coordinate local tourism group efforts. The Board welcomed Bob.
7. Discussion & Adoption of Operational Budget for 2009: Nannette Pogue passed out a proposed 2009 Operational Budget for the Board to review prior to the next meeting. The Board members were ask to go over the information and if they have any questions to contact Nannette before the next CFAB meeting. The recommended budget for 2009 will be presented to the City and County Commissions for approval in November or December.
8. Future Agenda Information: The casino decision will be announced tomorrow and things will really start to move. Rick Sowers asked the Board to think about what to do if the Kansas Lottery does not make a decision, what will the city do?

ADJOURNMENT: Ann Torrey moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Rick Sowers. Motion carried 6-0.