

Butte Civic Center Board

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

CONFERENCE CALL

January 6, 2021 12:00pm

MEMBERS ON PHONE CALL: Marko Lucich, Kelly Lee, Jocelyn Dodge, Dan Callahan

MEMBERS ABSENT ON PHONE CALL: Jim Lynch

STAFF ON PHONE CALL: Bill Melvin, Krystal Carlson

GUESTS ON PHONE CALL: Mckensie Quinn – NBC Montana

MOTION: Motion to approve the December 3rd Civic Center Board Meeting Minutes. 1st Kelly 2nd Dan
Motion Passed

NEW BUSINESS

- **BOARD MEMBER TERMS**

Bill informed the Board that Kelly and Dan's Civic Center Board Member terms expired December 31st. Bill sent Chief Executive JP Gallagher an email informing him that both Dan and Kelly want to continue on the Board and would like to be reappointed for another 3 year term. They are both active at Civic Center events. At a BSB Council meeting, Commissioner Fisher brought up the idea that new blood needs to be on the County's Boards. Commissioner Dan Callahan responded by saying before anyone is taken off a board, their attendance at meetings should be taken into consideration because active board members are difficult to find. Commissioner Fisher's request was voted down by Council.

- **COVID UPDATE**

The contract with the Butte Community Health Center for the drive thru COVID testing ended December 31st. Another contract is in place to extend the COVID testing until the end of January. The Civic Center does not benefit with rent for this community wide event.

There have been discussions regarding having the Civic Center arena be a community wide location for the COVID vaccinations. The person getting the shot must stay for 15 minutes for possible side-effects. Jocelyn commented that arena would be a great location with lots of space to social distance and provide mobility access. Bill asked the Board for a motion to approve that the Civic Center be used as a location for the vaccinations if the request is brought up.

MOTION: Motion to approve that the Civic Center be used as a community location for the COVID vaccination. 1st Jocelyn 2nd Kelly Motion Passed

COVID restrictions for Butte High basketball at the Civic Center. They allow two spectators per athlete. The home & visiting teams use different check-in and must sit on different sides of the arena. The athletes cannot use showers after the game. The Civic Center concessions are not open. BHS Wrestling restrictions: The wrestlers cannot shake hands before the match, the referee cannot touch the wrestlers after the match, and the wrestlers are allowed to use the showers after the event. Wrestling is now a MHSAA sport for girls.

The Civic Center has been closed for walking. The BSB Health Dept has informed Bill that the Civic Center can start to be opened to the public for walking starting January 11th. The doors will be open from 7:00am to 4:00pm Monday thru Friday. There will be no walking allowed during events.

The Civic Center purchased a couple foggers for sanitizing. These are a great source for disinfecting and providing good hygiene for public venues.

- **MHSA TOURNAMENT UPDATE**

The Civic Center will not be hosting any tournaments this year. This is a disappointment as the Civic Center was set to host three 16 team tournaments this Feb & March. Some of these tournaments are looking at doing a playoff system instead.

There will not be an All-Class Wrestling Tournament this year. MHSA will be separating all the classes to different venues. The Civic Center would be in line for hosting one of these depending on the BSB Health Department.

- **BUTTE HIGH USE AGREEMENT**

Butte High has booked girls' and boys' basketball games & wrestling duals at the Civic Center. The arena is larger than BHS for social distancing and has more exits. The rent will be \$500/event. Bill asked the Board to authorize this agreement.

MOTION: Motion to approve the Use Agreement with Butte High school for the 2021 season of \$500 per event for 7 Girls' Basketball Games, 7 Boys' Basketball Games and 7 Wrestling Duals. 1st Jocelyn 2nd Dan
Motion Passed

MARKETING REPORT:

- The new website for the Civic Center is live. It is a great addition for the Civic Center.
- COVID Testing will continue Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 3-5pm thru January
- Parrott Tailings Update – The South Parking lot is scheduled to be torn out mid-March. Their offices for the construction will be right outside the back door of the Civic Center.
- No cyclops wrestling tournament and no club wrestling this year. These tournaments are some of the biggest revenue events for the concessions.
- Mixed Martial Arts event scheduled for June 4th or 5th
- Promoter Daniel Hampel has holds in November. They have hosted events at the Civic Center before (Lord of the Dance)
- Foreigner is still scheduled for April 16th. We are not optimistic this date will be a go with the on going COVID restrictions.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Bill asked the Board if Thursdays at Noon would still work for the Board Meeting scheduled. The Board agreed that this date and time works good for all.

OLD BUSINESS

- COVID discussed
- Blood Drive was successful. They will be booking this event quarterly. The Board is aware that there is no charge for this community event.
- SHFT Productions: They stayed at the Civic Center a week longer and paid an additional \$1,000 rent. They were great to work with. This put the Civic Center on the radar screen for other movie productions. Jocelyn told the Board that SHFT productions wanted to pass along to the Civic Center staff that they were great to work with and the facility was wonderful. Bill said he appreciated them and would pass this information onto the staff.
- The candy and pizza concessions are in the process of being remodeled.

Next meeting scheduled for February 4th, 2020 at Noon via conference call.

MOTION: Jocelyn moved to adjourn. Seconded by Dan. Motion passed. Meeting Adjourned 12:35pm