

Recreation & Arena Advisory Commission

February 11, 2019

Rochester Community Center

Attendance: Sheila Colson, Dave Colson, Chris Bowlen, Dave Anctil, Dick Clough, Paul Roberts, Dale Bickford, Steve Trepanier, Lauren Krans, Julie Brown, Kevin Barry, Bob Brown, Nancy Carnigan, Matt Mayberry

Accept January Minutes

Motion to accept by Sheila Colson. Second by Bob Brown.

Review Revenue and Expense Reports

Review of energy savings at the Rochester Arena.

Presentation of Proposed “Nerdfest” at Rochester Arena

Director Bowlen reviewed reference checks for event organizer and input from other senior city management. All indications have been positive and supportive.

Director proposes that the Commission support this event taking place at the Rochester Arena.

All members in attendance support moving discussions with Nerdfest event organizers forward.

Review of Fee Waivers

Commission requests more information from a home school group requesting that their book group uses Community Center space with no facility fee.

Commission supports waiving the facility user fee for Northeast Passage for their May and June event.

Review of request from Strafford County Homeless Shelter to send youth residents to February Vacation Camp with free camp tuition.

Commission supports waiving camp tuition for youth residents at the homeless shelter who are enrolled at the Rochester School District. Number of children enrolled will be left to the discretion of the Assistant Director.

Review of office renovations.

Review of challenges with BCA students in the Community Center.

Joan Strogon motion to adjourn, Julie Brown second.