

MINUTES

FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

5:00 P. M., OCTOBER 21, 2019

A/V CONFERENCE ROOM

Jennifer Pharr, Chairperson, called the meeting of the Charleston City Council Committee on Facilities to order at 5:00p.m., OCTOBER 21, 2019, in the Audio/Visual Room in City Hall.

Committee Members Present:

Jennifer Pharr, Chair
Ben Adams
Brady Campbell
Sam Minardi
Shannon Snodgrass

The Chairperson called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of Previous Minutes –

Councilmember Adams moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on 9-16-2019. Councilmember Campbell seconded. There was no objection and the minutes were approved.

2. UPDATE ON BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT 10-13-2019 –

The Tournament was held at the Charleston Athletic Facility. Athletes from 7 states attended with 121 kids present. The Vice President of Big Shots said it was best event they had done all this fall, and immediately asked for a tour of the Convention Center. They then signed a letter of intent to hold 8 tournaments there over the next 3 years.

3. UPCOMING TOURNAMENT – MAY 2-3, 2020 –

This will be the first Big Shots Tournament. They anticipate having 3-6 courts.

Councilmember Minardi confirmed that the Board will still need to purchase the rims and floor.

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4. SAMANTHA CARNEY- SHAWNEE SOCCER COMPLEX PRESENTATION -

Highlights of her presentation included:

- Formally with the CVB, she has been with Shawnee since opening, July 10, 2017.
- The complex can host softball, Little League baseball, baseball, football and soccer.
- They have a staff of 5 full-time employees and 10 part-time.
- They are beating last year's hours booked (2,000 hours) with well over 3,600 hours.
- Fields can be individually booked online at \$45/hour.
- They have usage agreements with middle and high schools.

Councilmember Minardi asked if the Complex keeps the concession profits. Carney answered that it depends on the tournament, but in general, they keep the majority. Councilmember Snodgrass confirmed that the annual budget is \$600,000 assuming no construction.

5. DISCUSSION

Concerning Bill No. 7844, which will go to Council later in the evening, Councilmember Pharr stated that it would make processes more streamlined to be able to have more authority over the Convention Center. Mayor Goodwin added that the proposed bill will hold the Convention Center accountable to the Administration and Council.

Councilmember Snodgrass motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Minardi seconded.

Meeting adjourned.