

City of Selah
Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, March 6, 2023
Location: Selah City Hall; Council Chambers

1) CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wickenhagen called the meeting to order at 11:02 am.

2) ROLL CALL

Members Present: Kevin Wickenhagen; Mike Frausto; Bill Harris
Members Absent: Jean Brown; Tina Garner/Kumar Khatri
Staff Present: Zack Schab, Recreation Director; Treesa Morales, Public Records Officer;
Guests: None

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES None

4) COMMUNICATIONS None

5) GENERAL BUSINESS

a) Application for 2023 LTAC Funds: 2023 Mid-Valley Swim League Championships.

Mr. Harris asked when the event was. Recreation Director Schab said the championships are at the end of July and he thinks the application is to cover marketing and equipment for the event. Mr. Schab clarified that he doesn't think the attendance numbers are as high as stated in the application.

Board Member Harris asked if a motion was needed to discuss the application. Chairman Wickenhagen said, yes, usually it is required. Mr. Harris moved to approve the application at some level. Chairman Wickenhagen seconded. Discussion continued.

Chairman Wickenhagen stated he would rather have someone from the Dolphins here to answer questions. Mr. Harris agreed, and explained he wasn't sure of the internal process for swim, and that he would like them here to know more about the event before approving any funds. Recreation Director Schab explained the processes required to successfully host a swim meet.

Chairman Wickenhagen agreed that a need is there, he would just like to know if the items they are buying can be used next year or years following or if it is one-time deal, since swim is a big part of the community, he can understand the need.

Recreation Director Schab explained that this event will only come to Selah every 8 years or so, since the location rotates throughout all the participating teams. Board Member Frausto asked

about the number of swimmers and if the facility could hold this kind of event. Mr. Schab said yes and explained how a swim meet works and the swimmers rotate through.

Chairman Wickenhagen stated he would take a motion to postpone approval of the application until someone was here to present it and provide information. Mr. Harris moved. Mr. Frausto seconded. Motion carried.

b) Application for 2023 Funds: Welcome to Selah Sign

Presented by Rocky Wallace, Public Works Director. After presentation,

Board Member Harris moved to approve the application for \$12,500. Board Member Frausto seconded. Motion Carried

6) BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

a) Board Member Frausto – Gave update on approving overnight stay from out of town guests at the Elks property. Mr. Frausto stated the proposal to the board will be to reserve the RV spots closest to the Lodge for Elks members and designate others that will be open to the public based on Elks rules. Board Member Harris said he could give Mr. Frausto’s contact information to the tournament director to help spread the word.

b) Board Member Harris – No report

c) Chairman Wickenhagen – No report

7) ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Harris moved, and Board Member Frausto seconded, to adjourn the meeting. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:36 am.