YOUNG COUNTY ARENA BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 15, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Chairman: Jimmy Wiley
Curt Crago
Dancey Creel
Jeff Gough
Melinda Brown

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
Alan Craig (Voted to be on Arena Board by Young County Commissioners' Court)
Randy Cantin

STAFF PRESENT
Eric Garretty, City Manager
Marci Bueno, City Secretary/Financial Official
Julie Elrod, Arena Manager

GUEST PRESENT
None.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   Chairman Jimmy Wiley called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. **NOTICE OF POSTING:** NOTICE OF THIS PUBLIC MEETING OF THE YOUNG COUNTY ARENA (YCA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS WAS DULY POSTED AT A PLACE READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE DATE AND TIME OF THIS MEETING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

3. **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT**
   Chairman: Jimmy Wiley
   Curt Crago
   Dancey Creel
   Jeff Gough
   Melinda Brown

4. **PUBLIC FORUM.**
   None.

5. **CONSIDER AND ACT TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 11, 2024.**
   Motion made by Dancey Creel and seconded by Jeff Gough to approve minutes of the Board meeting held on December 11, 2024. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

6. **ARENA MANAGER REPORT -JULIE ELROD**

   a. Installation of new cash handling system

b. Update on stalls project
c. Upcoming YCA events

Arena Manager Julie Elrod presented the Arena Manager Report on the above topics.

7. **CONSIDER AND ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND CONCLUDE A RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR EXCLUSIVE ALCOHOL SALES AT THE ARENA WITH LAKE COUNTRY CATERING, LLC.**
Motion made by Curt Crago and seconded by Jeff Gough to **TABLE** the City Manager to negotiate and conclude a renewal of the contract for exclusive alcohol sales at the Arena with Lake Country Catering, LLC. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

8. **CONSIDER AND ACT TO AMEND THE STALL RENTAL RATES TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASED FEE FOR IMPROVED STALLS.**
Motion made by Dancey Creel and seconded by Jeff Gough to amend the stall rental rates to provide for an increased fee by $5.00 for improved stalls on new event contracts going forward. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

9. **CITY MANAGER PRESENTATION OF FINAL FINANCIALS FROM THE RHYTHM AND DIRT FUNDRAISER CONCERT HELD IN NOVEMBER 2024.**
City Manager Eric Garretty presented the final financials from the Rhythm and Dirt fundraiser concert held in November 2024.

10. **CONSIDER AND ACT TO APPROVE A DONATION TO CERTAIN CIVIC CLUBS THAT PROVIDED ASSISTANCE DURING THE RHYTHM AND DIRT FUNDRAISER CONCERT HELD IN NOVEMBER 2024.**
Motion made by Dancey Creel and seconded by Jeff Gough to approve **NO DONATION** to certain civic clubs that provided assistance during the Rhythm and Dirt fundraiser concert held in November 2024. Motion passed 3 – 2, with Curt Crago and Jeff Gough voting **NO.**

11. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE PROVISION OF CONCESSIONS DURING THE YOUNG COUNTY ARENA LIVESTOCK SHOW.**
City Manager Eric Garretty and Arena Board Member Dancy Creel discussed the provision of concessions during the Young County Arena Livestock Show.

12. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE PROVISION OF RESTROOM FACILITIES AT THE ARENA.**
City Manager Eric Garretty discussed the provision of restroom facilities at the Arena.

13. **CONSIDER AND ACT TO APPROVE THE ARENA FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024.**
Motion made by Jeff Gough and seconded by Curt Crago to approve the Arena Financial Statement for period of October 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

14. CONSIDER AND ACT TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY25-FY30 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN, AND RECOMMEND SAME TO THE YOUNG COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT, AND THE CITY OF GRAHAM, FOR RATIFICATION.

Motion made by Jeff Gough and seconded by Dancey Creel to approve an amendment to the FY25-FY30 Capital Improvement Plan, and recommend same to the Young County Commissioners' Court, and the City of Graham, for ratification. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

15. DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

Future agenda items included the disposal of restroom trailer, discussion on design of new restroom, and discussion on the arena alcohol contract.

16. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

None.

17. CONSIDER AND ACT TO SET THE MEETING DATE AND TIME FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE YCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Motion made by Curt Crago and seconded by Jeff Gough for the next meeting of the YCA Board of Directors to be held on February 12, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m. Motion made by Jeff Gough and seconded by Dancey Creel.