

**Benson Hockey Association
October 10, 2021
Scotty's Backroom
8:00 PM**

Members Present: Jeff DeHaan James O'Leary Jereme Ascheman
Eric Carlson Tammy Gunlogson Adam Fahje
Melissa McGinty-Thompson Colleen Johnson

Members Absent: Dave Tolifson Will Johnson

Meeting called to order at 8:25pm by Jeff DeHaan.

Secretary Report: Tabled until next month.

Treasurer Report: Rib Fest expenses were more this year. \$115.50 to Swift County Monitor News.

\$7374.56	Total expenses
\$11381.00	Deposit
\$4006.44	Profit

Motion to approve the treasurer report by Eric Carlson, second by Adam Fahje. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff D request to add Civic Center checking amount to the treasurer report. Tammy requested that more money be put in upfront to start the season so she isn't having to come back every meeting and ask for money to pay the bills. Tina is already scheduling tournaments and we don't have the money in the account to pay for them.

Motion by Melissa McGinty-Thompson to approve Tammy transferring funds up to \$1000 as needed. If more than \$1000 is needed Tammy can send an email and we can approve through email, Second by Jeff DeHaan. Motion passed unanimously.

Business:

- Motion by Tammy Gunlogson for reimbursement of the board members for the USA Hockey background screening required of the board members, second by Eric Carlson. Motion passed unanimously.
- Senior Scholarship Funds - \$500 to seniors who have skated with our program for three years and are in good standing for three years (registration fees paid, work hours completed or paid in full).
- Driving reimbursement: Brady DeHaan and Sam Thompson each drove last year to haul the Benson skaters bags as there was not enough room on the van to take them to Morris or to bring them back to Benson. Requested reimbursement by the school and Garrett asked if BHA would do the reimbursement versus the school reimbursing and then billing BHA. Motion to approve by Adam Fahje, second by Eric Carlson. Motion passed unanimously.
- Weeds around the rink – Caleb Schwendemann at the city took over the groundskeeping and the didn't realize that they were supposed to do the grounds and outdoor rink. The city has

sprayed them but it is going to be a big job to get them cut down. Jed Lye is willing to do this for a reasonable price. Melissa MT moved to hire Jed to clean up the dead weeds, Adam Fahje second. Motion passed unanimously.

- Grout along the boards -after flooding the rink the water leaks out towards the bleachers. Dan Greeley that will come fill and seal the leak covered by the sand. \$1200 start to finish and this would be a permanent fix. Motion to proceed with having this done by Tammy Gunlogson, second by Adam Fahje. Motion passed unanimously.
- Compressors will go on September 17th. Rink and lines will be painted on October 2nd by Horseman's crew. The new logo will be put down as well.
- Tammy agreed to be the COVID coordinator again should it be required. At this time remove the information from the website as no other associations have it on theirs any longer either.
- New compressor was put in by Craig's. The city paid this bill for \$19,000 – the compressor alone was \$11,000.
- Corey Goff has agreed to clean the rink up over the next week.
- New water bottle fill station was installed in the lobby.
- Rink attendants – we have had interest from Corey Goff, Jason Wolter and Justin Stelzer for this upcoming season. Discussed to hire all three and do a schedule. Add bathroom duties to the list of work to be completed. Bring all three in to a board meeting prior to the start of the season to set expectations.
- Outdoor work – Justin Stelzer approached Jeff about tearing up the old pad outside of the old zam room. He will build a burm on the south side. We also need to have the water valve fixed as it was hit by a skid loader and is bent, Dan Gens said the city will fix it but not until October. Justin is willing to do maintenance and maintain the outdoor rink in exchange for 20 work hours.
- Old Zam – Wallace auto is to complete this work.
- Outstanding work hours – long discussion held about the importance of the work hours for our association to keep the costs down. Each family is responsible for either working the hours or paying for the hours not worked. We don't want to promote the paying rather than working because it takes 6-8 parents to make each game happen. No playing until the work hours are paid was the decision.
- Fall BHA member meeting – October 17th at the rink at 6pm. Serve burgers/hotdogs, have a parents meeting and finish up registration. Kids could skate.
- Sarah Hoffman will do concessions again this year.
- Civic Center Board meeting to be held on September 13th at 5pm in the City Chambers.
- CRM will be staying in the north end of the building and will pay rent.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 944pm by Eric Carlson, second by James O'Leary.