Vermilion County Metropolitan Exposition Auditorium
And Office Building Authority

Minutes of the Board of Directors
July 22, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.

Present: Jason Baer, Shadonna Beard, Jakob Dazey, Erik O'Kane, Alex Rosdail, Dean Shore, and Stephanie Yates.

Absent: Ryan Brumfield, O. J. Harrison, Kim Hoffman, and Amie Pounds.

Attending: Andrew Mudd, Dwayne Gaylor, and Teri Gaffney.

Guests: None.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: The roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of June 24, 2026, were reviewed. ***It was moved by Erik O'Kane, seconded by Stephanie Yates, and unanimously carried to approve the Minutes of June 24, 2026, Board meeting as written.***

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No other comments were received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: The financial information for the month of June 2026 was reviewed. ***It was moved by Dean Shore, seconded by Erik O'Kane, and unanimously carried to accept the Profit/Loss Statement for the Month of June 2026 as presented.***

Mr. Rosdail reported that the Arena staff is continuing to work with MH Accounting to transition to a new QuickBooks account. We are seeking pricing from MH Accounting to do the monthlgy reconciliations in addition to the annual review.

Events: Mr. Dazey reported that planning for the rodeo is going well and there will be another new video coming out on Friday. Rachel Shore has done some excellent work in creating videos. There is now a link on our website for anyone wanting to be a vendor or a sponsor. Mr. Gaffney was asked to send out the electronic form to the Board members. TJ Ribbe of Midwest Asphalt has graciously agreed to once again provide the dirt for the event.

Mr. Dazey also reported that the Events Committee has approved of a Glow Golf' event. This would be a nine-hole golf course on the Arena floor and the total cost for the event would be $3,500. It is hoped that the event will be on August 29th. Nine teams would be allowed for each session. It was recommended that the afternoon session be focused solely on 'families' and the evening session would be more focused on adults, with specialty alcohol drinks. It was suggested that we perhaps have 'superheroes" for the afternoon/family event. No contract has been received for this event to date.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hockey Team: It was reported that Danville Iron have begun selling season tickets. We have not yet been given a final schedule from the team. Mr. Cheesman has requested the office and has been given the lease, but it has not yet been executed.

Financing Options for Flooring – This matter is still pending as the Board will need to take the formal action to pay off the existing loan prior to moving forward. We have been advised by the flooring company that we do not need to take official acceptance of the product until early 2027.

Streaming Agreements – It was reported that the two streaming services have responded to inquiries from our legal counsel. At this time, we will be moving forward with executing the agreement with LiveBarn. Blackbear has continued to state that it cannot co-exist in the same building as LiveBarn.

Amendment to Bylaws – Mr. Baer reported that he and Ms. Pounds have been working on the revision to the Bylaws and the plan is to present same at the next meeting for review. Mr. Mudd will be provided with the Bylaws for review prior to any final action.

Ice Racing Proposal – Mr. Dazey reported that this proposal is still being reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Payment of Existing Floor Loan – This item will be deferred to the next meeting.

MANAGEMENT REPORT:
Ms. Gaffney highlighted the Management report for the members. The Facility team was recognized for the great work they have been doing in improving the Arena. There have been some issues with the electronic sign on the east side of the building, and we will need to replace some parts in the system to withstand the higher temperatures. We will be moving forward with Bott's for security improvements at the Arena as well as having cameras installed in front of the building.

We are evaluating the current website and have met with both Awebco, the current website designer, as well as another company for opportunities.

The Arena will be the site of some scenes in a movie. Filming will occur in September.

OTHER BUSINESS: None Reported

EXECUTIVE SESSION: As there was no need for an Executive Session, this was deferred.

NEXT MEETING: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors is Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Jakob Dazey, Chairperson