



### **Minnesota Ballpark Authority Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2011**

Chair Steve Cramer called the special meeting of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority for May 13, 2011 to order at 1:00 p.m. The roll was taken. Commissioners Barb Sykora, Martin Olav Sabo, Joan Campbell and Paul D. Williams were present. Kathleen Lamb, Legal Counsel, was also present.

Commissioner Sykora moved approval of the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Campbell and approved unanimously – 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Campbell moved approval of the February 18, 2011 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sykora and approved unanimously – 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

**APPROVED**

#### **CHAIR REPORT**

- Chair Cramer had no official report.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

- Executive Director Kenney stated that he and Chair Cramer signed the easement agreements with BSNF. The MBA continues to work with the Interchange Project on the design process. Mr. Kenney also informed the board that the Ford Center is over 90% pre-leased, which is a good sign for development in the area.

#### **COMMENDATIONS**

- Chair Cramer presented Commendations from the Minnesota Ballpark Authority to former Commissioners, Mike Vekich and John Wade. Chair Cramer thanked both for their dedicated service and leadership in bringing Target Field to fruition.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **05-13-11 Proposed Resolution 11-MBA-66**

##### **Purpose:**

To amend the by-laws of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority.

##### **Background:**

MBA resolution 06-MBA-01 adopted initial by-laws to establish rules of procedure, the powers and duties of its officers, and other matters relating to the governance of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority and the exercise of its powers. MBA staff is requesting revisions to the initial by-laws to correspond with state law and changes to the MBA meeting schedule.

**Action Requested:**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Authority by-laws be amended to include the attached changes.

**APPROVED**

**05-13-11 Proposed Resolution 11-MBA-67**

**Purpose:**

To elect officers to the Minnesota Ballpark Authority Board.

**Background:**

The MBA Chair is appointed by the Hennepin County Board pursuant to the ballpark legislation. The MBA by-laws provide that in addition to the Chair, there will be a Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer with various set responsibilities. With the appointment of two new Board members in February 2011, there are currently vacancies in officer positions.

**Action Requested:**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following MBA Commissioners will serve in the following officer positions: Martin Olav Sabo, Vice-Chair, Barb Sykora, Secretary and Joan Campbell, Treasurer.

**APPROVED**

**05-13-11 Proposed Resolution 11-MBA-68**

**Purpose:**

To elect an Audit Committee Chair and members.

**Background:**

In April 2008, the MBA formally established a three-person MBA Audit Committee. With the appointment of two new MBA Board members in February 2011, the MBA Board will elect a new chair and two other members to serve on the Audit Committee.

**Action Requested:**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following MBA Commissioners will serve on the MBA Audit Committee: Joan Campbell, Chair, Steve Cramer, member and Paul Williams, member.

**APPROVED**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Target Field Operations– Matt Hoy, Vice President, Twins Ballpark Operations**

Mr. Hoy stated that the batter’s eye screen has been rebuilt. Wi-Fi for the ballpark has been updated and activated. After the 10 month warranty review there are 31 issues that remain. Cracks in the concrete and some areas where it is slippery when wet need to be addressed. Cracks in the parking lot and dock area will be fixed soon. There have been a few challenges with the wood backed seats on club level. Some have been replaced due to damage by hit balls or fans climbing on them.

Severe weather concerns: Mr. Hoy stated that Target Field is certified as a storm ready facility, and that they employ a meteorologist during game days, so Target Field is well aware of any severe or threatening weather. The Twins have a full disaster response and emergency plan in place.

**B. Hennepin County Interchange Project – George Fantauzza, Project Designer**

Mr. Fantauzza gave a Power-Point presentation on the Interchange Project. They are approximately half way through the environmental assessment. The project started getting

development ideas in February of 2010, and there should be a draft by mid-summer and a final design by Fall of 2011.

**D. MBA Financial Report – Brenda Juneau, MBA Finance Coordinator**

Ms Juneau gave a brief overview of the MBA financials. A 2010 Financial Report review was included in packet materials, and a Comprehensive Report Summary for 2010 should be complete in about a month.

**Next meeting: August 19, 2011 Target Field Tour Theatre**

*There being no further business, Chair Cramer moved to adjourn. The motion was approved unanimously -5 YEAS, 0 NAYS. The meeting of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority for May 13, 2011, was adjourned at 2:23P.M.*