

**CITY OF MERRILL  
FESTIVAL GROUNDS COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024 MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING    CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS    6:00 PM**

- I. **Call to Order:** Mayor Hass called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.  
Present: Mayor Hass, Alderperson Rick (remote), Alderperson Sabatke, Becker, Henrichs  
Excused: Alderperson Michael Caylor  
Absent: Becky Meyer  
Others present: David Buck, City Clerk Anderson-Malm, Merrill Community Media
- II. **Consider approving minutes from the previous meeting:**
  1. **February 1st meeting minutes** - Alderperson Rick made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 1st meeting. Alderperson Sabatke seconded and the motion passed.
- III. **General Agenda Items for Consideration:**
  1. **Fair Update** - Brad Becker gave the Fair update.
  2. **Rodeo Update** - George Henrichs gave the Rodeo update.
  3. **Permanent Vendor Update** - There was no permanent vendor update.
  4. **Calendar of Events** - The calendar of events was included in the packet.
  5. **Continued discussion on offering discounts to organizations to use the Festival Grounds** - There was no action and it was recommended to remove this from future agendas.
  6. **Continued discussion and update on campgrounds at the Festival Grounds** - Mayor Hass gave an update.
- IV. **Monthly Reports:**
  1. **Monthly Report - Festival Grounds Manager Bjorklund** - Festival Grounds Manager Bjorklund gave a brief update.
  2. **Consider placing monthly reports on file** - Alderperson Sabatke made a motion to place the monthly report on file. Alderperson Rick seconded and the motion passed.
- V. **Public Comment:** There was no public comment.
- VI. **Date and Time of Next Meeting - Thursday, April 4 at 6:00 PM:**
- VII. **Adjournment:** Alderperson Rick made a motion to Adjourn. Alderperson Sabatke seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Anderson-Malm

