

First Energy Stadium Commission

James Schlegel - Chairman
Gary Yeager, Jr. - Vice Chairman/Secretary
Rick Denunzio - Member
Rick Mountz - Member
Michael Schorn - Member
Carlos Torres - DPW Liaison
Donna Reed - City Council Liaison
Strat Marmarou - Commissioner Emeritus

Stadium Commission Meeting

Date: May 29, 2024
Location: First Energy Stadium, RBI Room
Present: James Schlegel, Gary Yeager, Jr., Michael Schorn, Rick Mountz, Donna Reed, and Strat Marmarou
Absent: Rick Denunzio and Carlos Torres
Guest: N/A

Order of Business

I. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Chairman James Schlegel.

II. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of the March 27, 2024 meeting were presented and a motion was made by Mike Schorn to approve without change and seconded by Rick Mountz; the motion passed. The minutes will be forwarded to the City Clerk.

III. Old Business

- Jim will acquire a copy of the photo of our Stadium Commission at last Monday's Redner's Event Center ribbon cutting ceremony; so we all have a keepsake.
- On behalf of the entire commission, a well-deserved thank you note was sent for our inclusion and on the execution of an outstanding job by Scott and his entire staff upon this historic occasion.
- Small nuances (i.e. sun glare on floor to ceiling glass at entrance, sunlight behind TV screen limiting visibility, etc.) were noted and will be addressed in due time.
- The hype and coverage along with the funding sources lead to the question of how to showcase or entertain the idea of an open house for the entire public to see this awesome venue. Jim is going to see if Scott and his advisors have given thought to this becoming a possibility?!

IV. New Business

- Donna Reed is going to introduce an ordinance for City Council to rename a portion of Cathedral Street that runs behind the stadium. A few potential ideas were shared (i.e. Reading Phillies Street, R-Phils Street, Fightin Phils Street) and she mentioned that Scott can decide upon the chosen name.
- Chairman Schlegel asked the members if there were any ideas moving forward, since we will once again take off June/July/August and reconvene in September, and as summer progresses, please call, text, or email and we'll add to our September meeting agenda.
- Rick Mountz discussed potential additional volunteer opportunities at Redner's Event Center for off-season events, not just during season for games or Senior Expo, etc. All agreed this can be yet another avenue for our efforts to support anything and everything at First Energy year-round!!
- Jim reminded all to continue to keep track of volunteer hours and keep in touch with aforementioned ideas/responsibilities that we as a commission can improve upon.

**A motion was made to adjourn by Rick Mountz, seconded by Michael Schorn,
and the meeting concluded at 7:25 p.m.**

The next meeting of The Commission is scheduled for September 25, 2024.