

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: November 29, 2023
Location: First Energy Stadium, RBI Room
Present: James Schlegel, Gary Yeager, Jr., Rick Denunzio, & Michael Schorn
Absent: Donna Reed, Rick Mountz, Strat Marmarou, & Carlos Torres
Guest: N/A

Order of Business

I. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 7:13 p.m. by Chairman James Schlegel.
- A special request by Mike Schorn involved a moment of silence and quick prayer for “Rocky” Santilli. For his tremendous contributions to Reading and particularly for his connection to baseball, all participated to honor his recent passing.

II. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of the October 25, 2023 meeting were presented and a motion was made by Mike Schorn to approve without change and seconded by Rick Denunzio; the motion passed. The minutes will be forwarded to the City Clerk.

III. Old Business

- A final recap of volunteer hours was reviewed individually so that The Chairman can include our total served as a group in his First Energy Stadium Commission Annual Report 2023. This will once again be emailed to the City Clerk to share with all.
- Linda Kelleher sent a letter requesting that EVERY Board and Commission within The City of Reading report in person to meet with City Council as part of a new initiative. As Chairman, James Schlegel will represent The Stadium Commission at our slated date of December 2024.

IV. New Business

- Based upon unanimous approval, the meeting schedule for 2024 will mirror the structure of recent years. Given the hectic nature of the summer months (i.e. vacations, working around home Fightins' games, et al.), we will avoid meetings in June, July, and August.
- The following Wednesdays will mark our six (6) meeting dates in 2024 convening at 7:00 p.m. inside The RBI Room at First Energy Stadium:
 - January 31, 2024
 - March 27, 2024
 - May 29, 2024
 - September 25, 2024
 - October 30, 2024
 - November 20, 2024
- Vice Chairman/Secretary Gary Yeager, Jr. will email the above meeting dates to Linda Kelleher so that she can run the appropriate ad and post where necessary for public knowledge.
- Congruent with our discussion last month regarding the upcoming officer elections (January 2024), further clarification was sought on the formality to enter a resolution to change elected officers term limits.
- City Council Liaison Donna Reed forwarded our request to revise term limits to Michael J. Gombar, Jr., Esquire. Bottom line is that the "terms" appearing in the ordinance cannot be changed; however, the "limits and conditions on terms" can be governed by The Stadium Commission on this topic.
- Given the above counsel to adopt our own rules and regulations regarding officers' term limits, the current procedure as written will be formally revised succinctly.
- The group unanimously agreed on this simple resolution. A motion was made by Rick Denunzio to approve and seconded by Mike Schorn; the motion passed. The following will be forwarded to the City Clerk to update the website and to keep on file:
 - "Officers shall serve for a period of one year. Successive terms in the same office are permitted until The Commission elects another member or the current officer decides not to serve another term in that capacity."
- Chairman Schlegel shared his heartfelt thank you for the members' attendance, wisdom, input, and effort for the ballclub and our City of Reading. It was a great year filled with excitement with certainty of more to come in 2024.

**A motion was made to adjourn by Gary Yeager, Jr., seconded by Michael Schorn,
and the meeting concluded at 7:41 p.m.**

The next meeting of The Commission is scheduled for January 31, 2024.