

Greene County Senior Citizens' Services Fund Board
Minutes
Meeting Monday December 7, 2022

Denny Pilant, Vice-Chair, called a meeting of the Greene County Senior Citizens' Services Fund Board to order on November 10, 2022 at 9:00 am. Self-Intros made for recording purposes. Meeting held at the Historic Courthouse Room 309, 840 Boonville, Springfield, Missouri.

Board Members Present: Denny Pilant, Joyce Munden, Bobbie Wurst, Mike Jungers and Judith Billings

Board Members Absent: Chuck Marinec (excused)

Others Present: Deborah Allen, Janice Piper, Liz McClelland, Becca Fields (Senior Ag), Jeff Robinson and Lisa Baily (OATS)

Meeting Minutes: November 10, 2022. Approved as submitted. Motion to approve Minutes made by Joyce Munden. Seconded by Bobbie Wurst. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report for October 31, 2022 was presented by Denny Pilant. Total Cash Balance as of the end of August is \$1,364,313.77. Property Tax Revenue is \$5,760.05, Bank/Investment \$1,951.96 with a Total Revenue of \$7,712.01 the YTD Revenue is \$2,760,499.97. Total Expenditures \$337,795.60 the YTD Expenditures is \$2,747,262.00 with Checks issued: Debbie Allen (2), Strafford Senior Center, Senior Age Area Agency on Aging (4th Qtr). Total Ending Balance \$1,377,551.74. Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by Mike Jungers. Seconded by Bobbie Wurst. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Presentation: Senior Age Area Agency on Aging – Liz McClelland and Becca Fields

Requesting Funds in the amount of \$1,241,241.00 (same amount as requested last year). Founded in 1974, SeniorAge has been the nonprofit Older Americans Act Area Agency on Aging for 48 years, helping seniors (60+) in 17 counties of the Ozarks maintain healthy, resourceful independence and quality of life. To assure the greatest success in this mission, they embrace and address the needs of senior caregivers, as well. They also work to balance general program approaches with one-on-one care to best identify and alleviate "root" or core concerns.

This year they will continue providing traditional methods of outreach, as well as new methods of outreach initiated during the pandemic. Many changes made during the pandemic will have long-standing value for seniors and communities.

The menu of Greene County senior services made possible by SeniorAge, in partnership with the Greene county Senior Services Board of Directors includes:

- Food Security
- Direct operation of Seven (7) Greene County Senior Centers
- Direct operation of a customer service hub office
- Scam alerts
- Information and Care planning
- Caregiver encouragement and support
- Home Help
- Assistance with Safety
- Technology assistance, education and troubleshooting

- Coordination with partner not-for-profit organizations
- One-time discretionary assistance
- Health Aid Assistance
- Vaccine Assistance
- Insurance guidance and advocacy Assistance accommodating hospital-to-home transitions
- Transportation
- Mandated abuse reporting, prevention and follow-up
- Tax Counseling for the Elderly
- Telephone Reassurance Program
- Advocacy support for senior rights
- Veteran outreach
- Senior Nutrition Farmer's Market
- Evidence-based physical and mental wellness programs
- Legal aid services
- Ombudsman services for those in long-term care settings
- Pension rights advocacy and aid
- Cultural Sensitivity to Diversity
- Disaster preparedness
- Holiday celebrations
- VISTA program management

Motion to approve made by Bobbie Wurst. Seconded by Mike Jungers. Motion carried pending FY2023 Budget approval and submission of FY2022 Progress Report.

Presentation: OATS – Jeff Robinson and Lisa Baily

Requesting funds in the amount of \$502,498.00 for service provision plus \$32,292.00 for bus match for a total of \$534,790.00. The additional amount increase is due to skyrocketing national transit costs, particularly for maintenance, parts, fuel and buses. Requesting board payment of the 20% match for two (2) buses after what will be four (4) years without bus replacements due to pandemic's continuing impacts to supply and demand. The mission of OATS is enhancing quality of life by providing safe, caring and reliable transportation services. OATS Transit will provide the equivalent of sixteen (16) vehicles operating a total of approximately 18,100 hours per year for transportation of Greene County's citizens. No other like door-to-door, regularly scheduled, reservation transportation is available to seniors in Greene County. The project's primary goal is to provide additional transportation opportunities to senior citizens. The expected outcome is a greater flexibility in service and increased availability of transportation.

Motion to approve made by Bobbie Wurst for the modified amount to \$502,498.00 (which does not include the purchase of the additional buses – this is an increase from last years request). Seconded by Joyce Munden for the modified amount. Motion carried pending FY2023 Budget approval and submission of FY2022 Progress Report.

Communications:

9:50 A.M. moved to adjourn by Bobbie Wurst. Judith Billings seconded. Motion Carried.

Next meeting January 23, 2023 – Location: Historic Courthouse, Room 309. If, additional people are in attendance, a waiting area with appropriate social distancing will be available.

Minutes submitted by: Deborah Allen