Greene County Senior Citizens' Services Fund Board

Minutes Meeting Monday May 22, 2023

Chuck Marinec, Chairman, called a meeting of the Greene County Senior Citizens' Services Fund Board to order on May 22, 2023 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: Chuck Marinec, Denny Pilant, Joyce Munden, Mike Jungers and Bobbie Wurst

Board Members Absent: Judith Billings (excused)

Others Present: Deborah Allen, Christopher Brumett and Victoria Knight (Salvation Army) Nancy Williams (Habitat for Humanity)

Meeting Minutes: April 24, 2023. Motion to approve Minutes made by Joyce Munden. Seconded by Mike Jungers. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report for March 31, 2023 was presented by Denny Pilant. Total Cash Balance as of the end of March is \$1,313,262.01. Property Tax Revenue is \$40,871.12, Bank/Investment \$22,747.22, Refunds/Reimbursements is \$8,209.81 with a Total Revenue of \$71,828.15 the YTD Revenue is \$2,900,240.26. Total Expenditures \$621,064.20 the YTD Expenditures is \$671,654.01 with Checks issued: Debbie Allen (2), SeniorAge 1st & 2nd Quarter and Springfield Stamp. Total Ending Balance \$3,541,848.26. Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by Bobbie Wurst. Seconded by Mike Junger. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Presentation: Salvation Army – Christopher Brumett and Victoria Knight

Requesting funds in the amount of \$65,000.00. The funds being requested are to support the many services that are provided to senior citizens in Greene County. They are asking for a noticeable increase of \$14,800.00 from the request made in 2022. This is to help offset the increased costs for food, supplies and staffing needed to meet the increased demand.

- The Senior Feeding Program provides hot meals Monday through Friday, free of charge. Lunch is served from noon to 1:00 P.M. from the full-service kitchen at the Salvation Army's Campus Seniors are also invited to participate in a social hour prior to lunch.
- Emergency Social Services ESS Office provides a wide variety of assistance to senior citizens. The food pantry, which is a part of ESS, provides seniors with much needed food for home use. Seniors can utilize this program once a month. In 2022, the food pantry served a total of 5,269 people, including 1,289 seniors or 24.46% of the totaled serviced. ESS helps seniors with other needs, including rental and prescription assistance, clothing or other emergency services.

Seniors also receive a gift certificate for food each Christmas to help ensure they have a holiday meal. The Salvation Army distributed \$45.00 Price Cutter gift certificate to 113 seniors, up from 79 seniors in 2021. Greene County Senior Citizens' Service Fund support also enabled the same seniors to receive a \$50.00 Walgreens gift card. Due to the increased cost of food, they would like to raise the Price Cutter gift certificate amount to \$50.00 for 2023.

Presentation: Habitat for Humanity – Nancy Williams

Requesting funds in the amount of \$50,000.00. The funds would be use to make repairs on as many homes as possible that need emergency repairs with the priority on water heaters and furnace servicing and replacement, water and sewer line repair, roof repair or replacement and modifications for accessibility, such as bathrooms or ramps. Success of the program will be determined by the number of home repairs made which depends on the funding amount. The Board requested some form of record to keep track of the repairs being made to verify that they are for Seniors and in Greene County. They do track that information and it can be provided to the Board.

Motion to approve made Denny Pilant. Seconded by Joyce Munden. Motion was carried contingent upon additional information supplied in the item section of the Proposed Project Budget. The Board agreed Chuck Marinec could approve the additional information provided.

Communication:

Chuck Marinec inquired if it would be possible to add the Progress Report to the Website. Will check with Jared Sloan to start the process. The status on the new phone was brought up. Hopefully, we will have it installed by the next meeting. This is Bobbie Wurst last meeting we wish her well, she will be greatly missed.

MoAlso – Monday May 22nd 2:00-3:00 Review of the 2023 Legislative Session and Planning for Future Advocacy if anyone is interested in watching the power point.

9:50 A.M. moved to adjourn by Mike Jungers. Bobbie Wurst seconded. Motion Carried.

Next meeting June 26, 2023 has been cancelled – Future Meetings TBA – 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