MCA BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 8, 2023

Treasurer Norreta Caldwell called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM

Norreta Caldwell - Treasurer

Larry Reilley - Director

Ron Balsamo - Director

**SECRETARY REPORT**

Clyde Haggerty was absent so Norreta Caldwell read the Minutes from January 14, 2023. Motioned to accept the Minutes as read, seconded, all in favor, none apposed, motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

For the end of March 2023

General Account 2217 $197,499.88

Payroll Account 2209 $ 8,344.16

Money Market $ 10.02

PayPal $ 0.00

TOTAL $205,854.06

CD Account $100,995.91

$306,849.97

TOTAL MARCH **INCOME** **EXPENSES**

$27,362.49 $22,752.49

For the end of February the CD interest earned was $8.56 Norreta got the rate increased and at the end of March the CD interest increased to $193.49. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report as read, seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

**ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE**

Complaints about the pig farm, Mr. Billy Robertson trash complaints, & the Crow’s Nest’s have been addressed. The RV Park in Unit 18 has been removed for code violations. What other options do we have? Should we make a few more calls to the County and follow-up with a letter? We do need to send out another letter to owners since it been over 3 months since the first complaint went out. Lots are a health hazard and violations need to be corrected. Members expressed their concerns about Westside Disposal yard.

**OLD BUSINESS**

We are continuing with the goals on the miniature Golf course, pool decking, & Horse Shoe pits. The pool tables have been repaired & re-felted, and new couches have been added to the lounge.

**GENERATOR GRANT**

All grants for AARP needed to be submitted by March 15, 2023 and successful grantees will be contacted by May 27, 2023. The MCA did apply for a grant to purchase a new generator for emergency situations.

**USDA GRANT RECREATION / SHELTER**

This Grant was found for the MCA by Local First AZ, which is an organization out of Phoenix, Az that works with Non-Profits and does not charge for their services. They also refer you to grant writers, so they found a grant called the Community Facilities Dec-Loan and Grant Program in Az that is for rural areas, small community, low income, & high population of seniors. They offer grants and loans. The Local First AZ has referred us to a grant writer for the MCA named Malena Hanna. After reviewing the grant she is writing for the MCA she has recommended some of the things that still need to be done by a Board Member to assist in writing the grant.

1. Show that the MCA is a Non-Profit Organization in good standing for at least two years. This includes the Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Financial Reports.
2. Official Minutes of Resolution showing that it is Passing as far as the Board is concern to apply for this grant.
3. We need to be turned downed for a Conventional loan for $600,000 by our bank to show that we are unable to complete the project within the MCA resources in the form of a letter from the bank.
4. We need to prove community support. Pam advised that the MCA voted and it passed. Proof of the vote count will need to be provided. Malena explained that was only part of the process. We also need a letter from the Mohave County of Economic and Tourism representative named Gina Crimper.
5. Since the project includes a shelter as well as a recreation room, we need to get the Mohave Department of Public Health on board. Get on their Emergency Preparedness list that identifies who has an Emergency Preparedness facilities. Ron Balsamo stated it may be Mike Brown or Byron Stewart in the Department of Emergency Management that needs to be contacted. Ron will follow-up.
6. Pam has a good relationship with her and can speak to her. Regarding the letters, Eileen spoke with Teresa Una who is with WACOG(Western Arizona Counsel of Governments). She said that the MCA needs to write up a letter of support, stating what we’re doing, why we’re doing it, and who it will benefit. Take that letter and have local people from the area, non-profits, local organizations and businesses sign it. This would be the MCA’s Community letter of support. Also ask if the MCA is on a priorities list of a community that needs their input or assistance.
7. The VFW wanted to make sure that in the MCA’s plan if an area or a room would be available so that a doctor could utilize in the future.
8. Eileen and Lori will also speak with Jean Bishop for support.
9. A member from the board will need to go online to the SAM.gov website, setup an account and apply for UEI(Unique Entity Identifier). If your asked to pay, Don’t pay a fee, get off the site then back on again and continue.
10. With the Shelter/Recreation if the MCA offering to do health services such as flu shots this would help with the grant money.

If we don’t get this grant(we could ask for $600,000 but who knows what you get) Malena has some other ideas of other grants such as there’s a community foundation that gets community impact grants that have $5,000 grants as well as other places.

Pam explained the tier process: if your in the highest level of priority tier you can get a maximum of 75% of the proposed project. This requires a rural community, population of 5,000 or fewer, medium household income is below the highest level of poverty for the state.

The medium level of priority tier you can get 55% of the proposed project if you have 12,000 people and a higher income level.

The lowest level of priority tier you can get 35% of the proposed project if you have 20,000 people.

Meadview falling in the highest tier is a plus.

Sharon set a target deadline for May 15, 2023 to complete the request.

NEW BUSINESS:

**ARCHIVING OLD MONITOR**

Tura Morice is working on scanning older monitor editions to be added to the website.

**VOLUNTEER’S**

Tura is also looking for volunteers to assist with the Annual Meeting Breakfast.

**BALLOT COUNTERS’**

We need volunteers to count the Ballots on May 27, 2023. Board members and staff are not permitted to count. Tura has volunteered and asking someone else to help.

**YOGA**

Nancy’s Olsen has started the Yoga Classes again on Monday mornings at 9 am.

**THANKS**

Blair Burke for cleaning the kitchen and rearranged the cabinet areas. Pam Steffen and Eileen Reilley for all their help with the USDA Grant. Also, Rhonda Monroe for her donation on the pool table repairs.

**OFFICE**

Welcome our new office staff member Selena O’Neil who replaced Julie Harris.

**POOL**

The pool is now opened.

**MOHAVE COUNTY RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Mohave County Risk Management will provide the community with classes to certify individuals in CPR; First Aid classes will be held in the MCA auditorium. They need no more than 6 people to come out and do the classes and will come out more than once. Dates are not yet confirmed.

**MONITOR**

Update the Minutes on the MCA website.

Next Meeting will be May 27, 2023 @ 9:00 AM

Meeting adjourned @ 9:37 AM

Respectfully submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Butch Haggerty - Secretary