

Milford Aging Service Commission

Of the City of Milford, NE

August 16, 2022

The Open Meeting was called to order by President Pat Grimes at 3:45 p.m. Roll call was taken with following Board Members present: Mike Moritz, Ron Oswald, and Pat Grimes. Absent: Diane Kemper and Ethel Svoboda. Also present: Senior Center Manager Amy Salistean, Council person Becky Freeman, Seward County Aging County Program Manager Kathy Ruzicka, Doretta Schweitzer, Sharon Bender, Arlene Moritz, Larry TeSelle, Susan Trabert and Roy Cast.

The Open Meeting Act Requirement was met.

The Minutes from the July 19, 2022 meeting were read by Amy. A motion to approve the minutes as written (Mike/Ron) was passed.

Managers Report:

Amy gave the Manager's Report. There will be a football party on August 27th at 11:00. Center will provide sloppy joes and beverages. Others are encouraged to bring a tailgate dish to share. Water aerobics will end August 19th. Thank you to Sharon Bender for providing the class. Fun Days will include an Art Show at the Center. The Friends of the Senior Center will be passing out water. The potato bake will be held August 19th from 5-7. Building: A quote to clean the upstairs carpet is needed. Then will look into replacing carpet tiles. Amy's computer is having issues and she is working on that. Anything saved on it is not lost, but is currently not accessible. New Events/Activities: Planning cookie parties in October, November, and December. Cookies will generously be provided by Sue Stutzman. Additional Information: NACS Convention is in Kearney September 22 and 23. Amy will attend. Pat Grimes is unavailable for volunteering September 21-27. Amy will not be at work on Friday August 26. The Center will be closed for Labor Day on September 5. The Manager's Report was approved as given (Mike/Ron).

Budget Report:

The Budget Report, dated Calendar 7/2022, Fiscal 10/2021, was presented by Amy. The report is sent to the Board, however it is public record and can be printed for others as requested. The City Financial Report was approved (Mike/Ron).

Old Business:

- The food contract with Great Western Dining was discussed. They have hired a new director. Both the manager and director want to bring up the quality of the food provided. They are creating a 4 week rotational menu (same as students). Amy will be able to highlight items in the menu to make sure a nutritionally balanced meal is provided. The quality of the food has already improved. The new contract will begin September 1st, however Great Western Dining is aware the City Council will need to approve this at the September meeting. They only want to provide meals on days school is in session. They want to serve Monday-Friday. Amy has mentioned the potato bake and birthday meal days to them so these will need to be negotiated. If they were to provide meals in the summer, the cost would be roughly \$8 and the Center budget cannot handle the cost. Great Western Dining is really not interested in providing meals when students aren't in session due to cost. For days during the school year when they are closed (holidays – Amy has the exact dates), the Center can approach local businesses. The bigger concern is the summer months. Kathy indicated Utica utilizes the bar, but they are only open 2 days a week. It would be difficult to provide 5 meals a week at the Center. Will need to work with local businesses for a solution. Changes in the contract were outlined by Amy. These included requirement for Vendor to provide required records and reports.

These are currently being provided. They just wanted more clarity in what was needed. Also included only providing meals when class is in session, which doesn't include holidays or summers. The line regarding a minimum number of meals will be struck. Also included the rotational meal schedule and meal substitutions may occur. The cost per meal to Great Western Dining Services, Inc. is \$6.60. The Board discussed a price increase for the meals at the center. The suggested contribution will be raised to \$6.00. This is a suggested contribution and may not always be given. The increase will be effective September 1 2022. The Center does receive money from USDA for OAA meals, which will cover the difference in what Great Western Dining charges and the suggested contribution. The fee for Non-OAA meals will be increased to \$7.00. Non-OAA meals are a fee, not a suggested contribution.

A motion was made (Mike/Ron) to approve the contract with Great Western Dining Services. Motion passed.

A motion was made (Pat/Ron) to increase meal prices to: \$6.00 suggested contribution for OAA approved meals. Non-OAA meals will be increased to \$7.00 fee. This will be effective September 1, 2022. Motion passed.

- Attendance Concerns: Becky mentioned the City Ordinance that references that Board appointments can be ended by the Mayor at his/her discretion. Becky will speak with the Mayor regarding how he wants to handle individuals no longer attending the Board meetings as this presents concerns related to quorum. If he chooses, he will move forward with discussing replacement of the member.
- Future Event Planning: Diane provided some ideas for future events to include a volleyball party, Oktoberfest, White Elephant and Covered Dish party, and movie parties. The volleyball party is already moving forward, just need to pick a date. Amy mentioned the cookie parties that are planned.

New Business:

The potato bake sign broke in the wind. Will need to replace with something. Amy will work with Diane on signage.

Consider expressing gratitude with Thank You. Some suggestions were to publish in the newsletter, just don't want to miss anyone. A broad thank you to all volunteers may be better. Diane does have a list of people to thank.

Sharon would like to add an item to the agenda for next month regarding replacement of some exercise equipment downstairs. This will be added to the agenda.

The next meeting will be held on September 20 2022.

Motion made by Mike/Ron to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.