

Milford Aging Service Commission

of the City of Milford, NE

July 19, 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, Diane Kemper and Pat Grimes. Absent: Ethel Svoboda. Also present: Senior Center Manager Amy Salistean, Council person Mike Roth, Seward County Aging County Program Manager Kathy Ruzicka, Doretta Schweitzer, Sharon Bender, Arlene Moritz, and Larry TeSelle.

The Open Meeting Act Requirement was met.

The Minutes from the June 21, 2022 meeting were read by Amy. There were two (2) corrections to the Minutes:

1. The contract for the repair of Elevator should be corrected to \$3,962.
2. The financial report should be addressed as "the City Financial Report".

A motion to approve the minutes as corrected (Mike/Ron) passed.

Amy gave the Manager's Report which included: The Elevator is now working and as soon as the lightbulbs are replaced in the car, the elevator will be operational (Cheers from all in attendance); the City Maintenance Dept. is replacing lightbulbs in the basement and batteries for the Smoke Detector at top of basement stairs are ordered and will be replaced; Water aerobics kick boards (18) were purchased and are being used; **The Community LUAU**—a great success with 116 meals served and 60+ people attended the entertainment by the Seward County Ukuladies. Thanks to Amy Salistean, Mike and Mary Weise who prepared the food and thanks to the Volunteers: Deb Welsch, Pat Grimes, Mavis Ferris, Sandy Ruether, Cindy and Russ McAdams, Kathie Warner, and three Milford Foundation Scholarship Volunteers. Plus, special thanks to Mike Weise who created the Photo Wave and the flower decorations. The Seward County Ukuladies were paid \$50 for their performance; and thanks to the City of Milford Maintenance Dept who provided the picnic tables. Amy noted the passing of Aloha Roth, our baker, and announced Jess McCullough will be making the birthday cake for our Birthday Celebration on July 27th. Also, Amy again stated her days of absence from the Center and asked for volunteer coverage in her absence. The Manager's Report was approved as given (Mike/Diane).

The Budget Report, dated Calendar 6/20/22, Fiscal 09/2021, was presented by Amy with few explanations but she did explain possible Budget changes for the coming Fiscal year. Diane raised the question of the possibility of getting a financial report which be more explanatory and would include more factual information as to what was spent and how spent during the last month...a more in depth report as to the actual expenditures for each month. After much discussion, Amy will confer with the City (Jeanne) regarding this request. The City Financial Report was approved (Diane/Pat).

Old Business: Diane asked about the "Sweet Treats" quest which was mentioned at an earlier meeting. Amy responded that when she asked Milford Merchants earlier they were "encourage" to contribute to "Sweet Treats"; but none have actually contributed except for the Dragonfly and Ethel Svoboda. There was much discussion on this topic and suggestions of re-approaching merchants to mailing our Newsletter with the Chamber's Newsletter were discussed. Amy will look into the above suggestions. The "Sweet Treats" remains unresolved at this time.

New Business:

Future Event Planning—after discussing the possibility of having a good old homemade Ice Cream Social and Bingo and it was decided to schedule the event for August 12 at 1 p.m. Members will be encouraged to bring Brownies or cake and the homemade Ice Cream will be made and provided by the Center. Diane will purchase prizes for the event. Also, the Center will host a “Kick-off” party for the Nebraska game on Saturday, August 27 in Ireland. The usual “Pot Luck” with Sloppy Joe’s event will begin at 11 a.m. Sharon Bender will coordinate this event. Hope to see many members attend!

Food Service Contract—the new contract is due 1 September 2022. Amy explained the situation with the Great Western Food Service contract and at this point doesn’t have any proposal from them. Therefore, the future contract is still in “limbo”. Amy and the City will continue to negotiate the future contract.

Board Member Meeting Attendance Concerns—Diane expressed her concerns regarding Board Members as it applies to making decisions with just three members present, with even holding a meeting if only two members present, the need for Member’s input and ideas, just plain the need for all members to be attend the Board Meetings. Amy qualified those statements as to “why” Board Members need to attend. Following a long discussion, a motion was made that a letter be written to non-attending members requesting their presence at Board Meetings and asking they respond in 20 days accordingly. (Diane/Pat) The motion failed—2 to 2. Diane then turned to the Council person Mike Roth for any suggestions to resolve this problem of attendance. He had none; so the matter is being referred to the City. Regarding this subject Kathy Ruzicka, the Seward County Aging Partners Program Manager, suggested that the Board contact other agencies such as County Extension Office as to suggestions and their programs which our Board may be interested.

Motion made by Mike/Ron to adjourn the meeting at 5:04 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.