Sandy Mush Community Center

Minutes

January 25, 2022

Attending: Frank Barbara, Amanda Barnes, Kevin Campbell, Steve Duckett, Cheryl Frisbee, Diana Gates, Lorrie Jayne, Bruce Larson, Amysue Moore, Ilsa Myers, Frank Ramirez, Amy McMahan Surrett, Lisa Beth White, Barbara Wells, Keith Wells, Terri Wells, Kurt Eckel, Susan Wilson, Don Myers, Peggy Baldwin, Sheriff Miller. Twenty-one people attended.

The meeting was called to order by Madam President Amanda Barnes at 6:03 pm. She opened the meeting with everyone introducing themselves and their ties to the community.

Minutes and Financial Reports: Minutes for December 21, 2021, were prepared by Secretary Bruce Larson and Distributed by email. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Financial Reports: The December financial reports were prepared by bookkeeper Christine Magnarella Ray of Do Good Book, LLC with input from and oversight by Treasurer Bruce Larson and distributed by email. The financial reports were approved as submitted.

New Business: Terri Wells and Sheriff Miller talked about Community outreach. They both talked about bring more services out to the community that we are not getting now. Sheriff Miller would also like to have a substation at the community center to place a deputy there to better serve the community. He believes it would be better to be for the community if sheriff department was seen more in the community and people in the community could come and talk to them more easily with the issue they are faced with. They also passed out free covid home test and masks for everyone at the meeting.

Capital Improvement Team: Frank Barbara talked about what this team does and who they are. They make improvements to the community center when funding is available to make the center better for the whole community.

Leicester Artist Tour: Frank Barbara made mention that he would like for the community center to sponsor the tour next year. The Leicester artist tour is the third weekend in August. Frank Barbara made a motion to vote on it. The motion was voted on and it was voted yes. Sandy Mush Community Center will sponsor the Leicester Artist tour next year.

Google Calendar and Website Calendar: Kevin Campbell has suggested there needs to be an over seer of these calendars. Frank Ramirez agreed to do it.

Vote on the Community Outreach Agreement with the Methodist Church was brought before the board by Madam President Amanda Barnes. Vote of yes was carried.

Frank Ramirez read a prepared written statement on the site plan. He then made a motion to rescind the site plan. Amysue Moore seconded his motion.

Steve Duckett spoke up and suggested instead of rescinding the whole plan, which requires a two-thirds vote, to make a motion to Amend the plan to step back and look at the Right of Way issue in hand. In order to do that Frank Ramirez replaced his rescind motion with a motion to amend the site plan motion which was seconded and approved. Frank Ramirez and the Steering Team will meet to discuss this further.

SPG and Tipping Point Grant: Lorrie Jayne agreed to be on the grant writing team and asked for each team to submit her information and budgets for ongoing projects and internet for upcoming grants.

Oral Reports and Status Updates

Sandy Mush Outreach Team: Lisa Beth White gave out a handout in January's packet, stating that they have decided to put the February 8th event on hold due to the high number of Covid 19 cases in Buncombe County. They also have been an extension on grant funding.

Capital Improvement Team: Frank Barbara submitted a Coal Room Project Expenditure in January's packet.

There being no community announcements or public comments, the meeting was adjourned by Amanda Barnes @ 7:45pm.