

Minutes of the May 27, 2014 Grant Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. with Wanda Freeman, Tom York, Linda Kellogg, Darla Rippee and Doris French present.

A motion to accept the agenda was made by Wanda and seconded by Tom. Motion passed.

A motion to accept the minutes with the correction of LaViere was made by Linda and seconded by Tom. Motion passed.

Wanda suggested we try one more time for the firehouse sub grant. Darla will call Gleaners in June. We will resubmit an application to Par Plan in December. Doris will look up Georgia Pacific to see where their facilities are located and if any of their employees are living here.

Linda will call WIN to see if we qualify for their grants. Wanda will work on the Fire Department grant.

Doris reported the Dow and Gerstacker foundations wanted copies of the estimated project budget for the hall grants we submitted. She sent them with a note that the estimate was a year old and prices probably changed. She also sent the notice to the Midland Daily News requested by the Midland Area Community Foundation. So far it hasn't been published. Doris will check on it.

We will try to submit a grant application to Dow Corning. Doris will go on line to find the Dow Corning Advised Funds Committee. She will rewrite the letter emphasizing the fact that it will be used as an emergency shelter (washer/dryer, showers, handicap accessible) and bring it to the next meeting for input.

Darla reported Mr. LaViere is getting the cost on geothermal for us. We discussed a possible mix with solar energy. Also George and Fritz are checking with Consumers to get the gas line extended to the hall. Wanda will check with Space Studio to see if they can give us an estimate on the cost of their solar energy expenses.

Wanda reported there are 8 Verizon cell towers in a 4 mile radius of the hall. She said we should also include zoning, permits, lease negotiations and immediate board approval if we consider getting a tower. This was tabled until the June meeting.

The next meeting will be June 24, 2014.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tom and seconded by Linda. Motion passed at 8:2-05 p.m

Respectfully submitted,

Doris French
Secretary