



## **MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MARIA REINER CENTER OF HOBART**

**Maria Reiner Center – Conference Room**

**March 30, 2022 – 9:30am**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by President – Jay Harrigan @ 9:31am

**Present:** Tom Ehrhardt, Ken Gagliardi, Trey Gilliana, Jay Harrigan, Carol Heikema, Lynn Kostbade, Mike Rogers, Pam Ridings, Dee Bedella

**Executive Director:** Aimee Schallenkamp

**Guests:** Mayor Brian Snedecor  
Deborah Longer/Clerk-Treasurer

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Rogers to accept minutes of February 23, 2022 with 2 corrections 1) all money from pickleball games will be given to the MRC and 2) correct spelling of Ms. Riding's last name to only one D, seconded by Ms. Kostbade. All aye, motion carried. (9-0)

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Ms. Kostbade, seconded by Mr. Rogers to approve agenda. All aye, motion carried. (9-0)

#### **Executive Director's Report:**

\*New Board Member: Introduced new board member Pam Riding from State Farm Insurance as new member of the Board of Directors.

\*Programs: All programs have started back at the center. Attendance is still low. Not getting the same amount of volunteers as we used to.

\*Meals: Aimee reported still getting sponsors for breakfast and lunch. There is only 1 team to cook and no new volunteers. It is Maryann, Cheryl and crew.

\*Advertising: Suggestion made to place an article in The Times with information about the MRC. Mayor Snedecor suggested to use the digital sign for advertising – contact Suzanna Enslin for information. Social Media: Ms. Riding suggested Instagram – she has a friend who is excellent in social media and may be able to assist MRC with Instagram. Director to talk to Kelly Goodpaster @ Parks Dept. about placing MRC senior activities on website, Ms. Riding suggested reaching out to Hobart High School and inquire about internship for marketing for MRC. In newsletter highlight a member every month. Newsletters can be taken to hospital and placed at entrance tables and at gift shop.

\*Casino Trip: Mr. Gagliardi will drive the MRC bus – will charge \$3.00 per person to Four Winds in New Buffalo on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

\*Chic-fil-A+ Spirit night on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

\*Bingo: On September 17<sup>th</sup> at Hobart Moose Lodge.

\*COVID Resilience Grant: Executive Director applied for this grant to fund more field trips. Feels this is needed for mental health of the senior, for what they have been through these last few years. Will charge \$15.00 per person

\*Fundraising Committee: Cheryl started a fundraising committee. Renamed the advisory board to Fundraising Committee – there are new people attending.

\*Pickleball Nights: Are Wednesday & Friday from 5p-9p. Two or three members are in charge. Twenty people have been playing – charging \$5.00 per person. Asking for weekends to play. Asking if city can provide outside parks in summer – Pennsy Park or Pavese Park – can these parks be resurfaced. Mayor will look into trying to get more pickleball courts in the city.

\*Washer & Dryer: Lance got quotes for \$1438.00 @ Nason, \$1,394.00 @ Home Depot (stackable set). Executive Director may ask Home Depot about possibly donating.

**Approval of Claims:** Vouchers as of 3/31/2022 were submitted totaling: **\$1,462.99**. Motion made by Mr. Ehrhardt, seconded by Mr. Gilliana to accept all claims presented. All aye, motion carried. (9-0).

**Financial Report:** Financial Report total cash and investments submitted through February 2022 – totaling **\$107,883.39**. Motion by Mr. Gagliardi, seconded by Ms. Kostbade to approve financial report. All aye, motion carried. (9-0)

\*Peoples Bank Statements were available at meeting for review by members.

**Announcements:** In June a Grief Counseling Ssupport group will begin meeting at the MRC for 13 weeks. There will be a different topic each week. Facilitator from Bethel Church.

**Next Meeting:** Will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 9:30am – @MRC conf. room.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 10:35a.m. Motion made by Mr. Ehrhardt, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All aye, motion carried. (9-0)

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**Recording Secretary – Dee Bedella**

  
**President – Jay Harrigan**