

**Senior Millage Allocation Committee
May 7, 2010 8:00 a.m.
Calhoun County Building-Marshall
Lower Level Conference Room**

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m. by Chairperson Lisa Gerow.

Members Present: Rod Auton, Arlene Bolton, Julie Camp, Lisa Gerow, Jennie Hoffmann, Jill Booth, , Kristy Smith, Viola Johnson, Tiana Cannon, Eusebio Solis, Rebecca Rocho

Members not Present: Joanne Konkle

Staff Present: Carl Gibson, Rodna Stealy, Leslie Obrig, Brad Wilcox

Guests: No Guests

Approval of the Agenda:

Tiana made a motion to approve the agenda, Viola supported the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

Approval of April 2, 2010 Minutes

Arlene made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 2nd meeting, Rod supported the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

Consent Agenda

Arlene made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Julie supported the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

Discussion Items/Old Business:

Director's Report

Carl reviewed the Director's Report and told members if they had any questions that he would be glad to discuss them.

Carl mentioned Transportation Issues and his attempts to work with Dial a Ride of Marshall and Community Action to see if there is a possibility of collaboration.

Julie stated that she would like to be kept in the loop on Transportation issues.

New Membership

Discussion was held regarding the need for new members as this will be the last meeting for Kristy Smith as her term has expired and we still need someone to fill the vacancy left by Mary Crowell. Mary represented the Athens area and Kristy represented Newton Township/Burlington area.

Carl explained that members need to help in the search for people to be suggested for membership. Arlene noted that we need more seniors on the committee who are just interested citizens, not necessarily professional people.

Carl will do a press release to let people know we are looking for new members from that area.

The Governance Committee will set up a meeting to discuss new membership, and to review some other items.

Millage Renewal

Kick-Off Event

The Senior Millage Kick-Off event is scheduled for June 7 with events in Albion, Marshall, and Battle Creek. Kate Segal and Jase Bolger will be at all three locations and Mike Noffs will be at the Albion event, but due to prior commitments he is unable to attend the Marshall or Battle Creek events.

Carl made note of several upcoming events in the area and explained that he has more information on these events if anyone is interested. He reminded committee members that they have a responsibility to keep this millage campaign afloat.

Tiana and Rod will work together on the Battle Creek event. Joanne has already started working on the Albion event. MaryJo Byrne is helping to plan the Marshall Event. She is not on this committee and could possibly use some help to plan this event as she currently has many demands on her time to work on other events she is involved with.

RFP for 2011

Carl spoke about the upcoming RFP stating that he and Brad had confirmed that we would plan to do fewer contracts that were for \$20,000 or less as we are not required to have a contract for those smaller amounts. They can be handled as Grants.

Brad noted that a value of the ten year renewal would be the use of multi-year contracts and Long range Planning, which would allow the building of trust and relationships with our providers.

New Business:

Sub-Committee Meetings

Carl asked that the Chairpersons of the sub-committees set up meetings of their committees prior to the REP coming out in July.

Summer Intern

Carl noted that we have interviewed a candidate for a summer internship and asked for approval from the committee for us to move ahead in putting an intern in place for 12 to 14 weeks this summer, for about 20 to 30 hours a week. This person could help cover the office when staff are on vacations or out to community events.

Jill made a motion that we move forward in obtaining an Intern to assist in the Senior Services Office this summer. Becky supported the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

Advertising

Carl discussed with members and asked for their input on radio advertising. Carl said we would do some radio advertising, but he isn't sure just how much yet. He asked that Members of this committee be prepared to assist in making presentations and getting the word out about the millage renewal.

Citizens Time

There were no citizens present who chose to speak at this time.

Announcements

Carl Announced 2010 Senior Millage Campaign Sub-Committee will meet on April 9, 2010. This committee consists of Stan Tooley, Chairperson; Peter Christ; Jim Talbot; and Jon Hansen. These meetings are held away from the county building.

The Community Meeting will be on May 13, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Marshall House Apartments in the Community Room.

The Presentation from Guardian Finance and Advocacy will be rescheduled for the next meeting in June.

Adjournment 9:15 a.m.

Next Meeting: June 4, 8:00 a.m.