

ACRE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MAY 16, 2018

Board Members Present: Francis Bradley, Richard McBryde, Mike Lee, Bob McCulley, Tim Cook, Bobby Collins, John Johnson, George Harris, Clyde Keenan, Dan Melancon.

Call to Order: A quorum was present, and the meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Mike Lee, President.

Opening Prayer: The opening prayer was given by George Harris.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the April meeting were distributed earlier to the board members for their review by acting Secretary, John Johnson.

Motion: by Sonja Hollie to approve the minutes of the April 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Richard McBryde.

Discussion: None

Board Action: The motion was passed without objection.

Treasurer's Report: John Johnson distributed the April 2018 and yearly reports to board members for review. The reports will become a permanent part of the minutes. John reported that he had failed to pay the Shriner's for use of building last month so a check for \$200 was written to cover last month and this month.

Motion: by Tim Cook to accept the reports and seconded by Bob McCulley.

Discussion: None

Board Action: The motion was passed without objection

IT & PR Report: Tim Cook presented the board with a copy of his report which is self-explanatory and will become a part of the minutes. Tim has been sending out timely e-mail blasts & found the coding problem on our website. The problem has been fixed. Our membership e-mails are up 46 from last month. He asked that all articles for the newsletter be in by the end of May. The newsletter will go out as soon as possible in June.

Legal Advisor, Clyde Keenan: suggested setting up a booth at the Italian Fest on May 31, June 1 & 2 to help collect signatures to help the MFFA and MPA.

Pension Oversight, Bobby Collins: The pension fund is 89.682% funded with a total of \$2,349,670,106.00 in the fund as of April 2018. The numbers are down a little due to market fluctuations.

Benevolence, George Harris: thanked everyone for informing him of members who needed cards. The Treasurer has been asked to get the cost of having custom made get well cards for ACRE & report back to the board.

Healthcare Oversight Committee: Francis Bradley: There was a discussion regarding a \$300 emergency room charge when a person is not admitted to the hospital when there was nowhere else to go. The

donut hole is supposed to close in 2019. We were reminded of the free credit monitoring that must be signed up for by the end of May 2018.

President, Mike Lee: Presented board with information about the COMIC and MFFA golf tournaments in September. It was decided to bring this back up at a date closer to the tournaments.

Mike has approached council members regarding a \$70 raise adding up to 43 million dollars. He was asked to come back with the cost of a \$60, \$50, and \$40 raise. The City is waiting for figures from Price Waterhouse.

There have been 44 deaths of city employees since October 2017. Plus, Barbara Cleveland will be added from the MFD.

Pre-65 retirees that are not using the HRA money from One Exchange can accumulate it and use it at a later date. 43% of retirees went to One Exchange. Money for HRA and Medicare Part B penalty has been budgeted for 2018. The City has estimated 72 retirees will die this year. There will be a second free clinic opening in City Hall soon. A reminder was given to make sure your address is correct with Social Security to receive the new health care card.

With no further business, the board meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sonja C. Hollie, Secretary