

ACRE GENERAL MEETING

JUNE 21, 2017

Call to Order: The ACRE General business meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Mike Lee, President.

Opening Prayer: The opening prayer was given by Richard McBryde.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Lee, President: Asked the membership to remember the family of Gene Bradberry who recently passed away, Ray Maples that is in Stage 4 cancer, and Danny Stamps who is in Hospice Care.

Richard McBryde, Vice President: Welcomed members and reminded everyone of the luncheon next month.

John Johnson, Treasurer: For the month of May 2017 we had dues and donations totaling \$860. There were 523 renewals which is up 47 members.

Tim Cook, IT & Web: Thanked members for all the prayers for his family. He warned members to NOT click on links that are probably spam. It was mentioned that Sam's technicians and Geek Squad might be a useful tool to keep computers clean and running.

Darrell White, Sgt. At Arms & Membership Chairman: Asked the members to renew their membership on time.

Clyde Keenan, Legal Advisor: Advised the members there were a lot of bogus contractors out there from the storms we'd had recently. If any member has contracted with a company for repairs, he would be glad to look at the contract for free.

Bobby Collins, Pension: As of May 2017, the pension fund is 85.2% funded with a total of \$2,230,664,128.00 in the pension fund.

George Harris, Benevolence: Thanked the membership for letting him know about deceased members so he could send a card from ACRE.

Francis Bradley, Insurance Oversight: Members can go through One Exchange even though they are not currently enrolled with them. The open enrollment will be Oct 15 – Dec 7, 2017. He discussed and answered all health care related questions. The City dental and vision care is through United Health.

Jim Bomprezzi: discussed possible tax deduction for safety officers. He had contacted Mayor Strickland and Congressman Kustoff to try to get the law amended to take medical insurance out of pay checks.

Mike Lee, President: On June 8, 2017, he sent a letter to Mayor Strickland regarding a pension increase for retirees. The increase was denied at least until 2020 when the pension fund is fully funded. He mentioned that drug plans can be changed every year according to what best suits the individual needs. There was discussion of revised regulations for the death of employees, retirees, and spouses. The City must have a death certificate first and you must specify if you want to keep AFLAC insurance when the spouse dies.

After all questions had been answered, **John Johnson** closed us in prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sonja C. Hollie, Secretary