MABA MINUTES MARCH 12, 2020. 6:05

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 by vice president, Tina Bakehouse at the Classic Café.

Board members present: Tina, Kenzie, Gary, MaryBeth, and Bonnie. President Stephanie joined the meeting later.

7 additional members present

The guests presented first. Alicia, Classic Café, spoke first about their business in general and her appreciation of the community. MABA thanked her for their amazing support of our organization.

Rick Allely, Mills County Economic Development Director, discussed current and future developments. He also gave updates on the current FEMA and flood progress.

Jeannie Barney updated us on the 5210 and summer youth program. This is a line item budget expenditure. Bonnie moved and Gary seconded to fund the summer program at $599. Motion carried.

Agenda approval: Kenzie, second Cheryl, motion approved.

Minutes approval: Gary, second Kenzie, motion approved.

Kenzie gave the secretary’s report and presented the budget for approval. (no motion is needed for treasurer’s report)

Budget approval: Cheryl, second Zack, motion approved.

Old business:

Maba discussed Web site development sharing with the city of Malvern. MABA will offer to pay 25% of the city cost or $2300, 1/2 now and ½ upon completion. Approval: Gary, second Kenzie, motion approved.

Rick A stated that Mid American Energy might be a possible source of money to help offset that cost.

Travel expenses are a budget item.

Motion to approve $200 for Zack to attend the Art Council Gala in Des Moines was made by Bonnie, seconded by Bev. Motion approved.

The annual membership drive was discussed extensively and an updated folder will be sent out in April. Bev, Marybeth and Zack will update the folder. Alicia moved, Cheryl seconded, motion approved.

Gary did a brief update on the Independence Day celebration. The Fair board is asking for $750 for rent. Plans are very much in limbo pending national health concerns. Fireworks are probably the only certainty.

Discussion: Awards dinner and Art Council visit.

Welcome bags are nearly ready to go. We will continue with them until we run out of current supplies.

Bev made a motion to approve these signatures for the bank account. Tina Bakehouse, Kenzie Meggison, and Cheryl Jones will be on the MABA regular account. Bonnie Pierce will remain on the special projects account. Cheryl, seconded, motion approved.

Thursday, March 19th, Future Ready Iowa Night at the high school. Tina will have a display table for MABA with help from Cheryl, Becky and Caroline.

Greg moved to adjourn and seconded by Gary. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Next meeting will be April 2nd.