

Michigan City Community Enrichment Corporation
EOC, City Hall
Regular Meeting February 19th, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President George Kazmierczak at 5:10 p.m.

Roll Call: Present — President George Kazmierczak, Vice President Jack Van Etten, Secretary/Treasurer Steve Janus, Bret Cox, Connie Anderson, Chris Carter, Rudy Kohn and Sue Webster. Absent was Esther Guncheon. Also in attendance was Board Attorney Mary Lake. A quorum was reached.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the January 9th Meeting Minutes as submitted was made by Connie Anderson and seconded by Jack Van Etten. All in favor. Approved as submitted.

Financial Statement: Steve Janus presented The December 2019 Harbour Trust Statement. Beginning balance was \$308,016.49. No deposits were made. Disbursements totaled \$5,213.00 and the Administrative Expenses were \$64.17. Investment Income totaled \$412.59. Investment Change was \$0.00. Ending balance for December was \$303,151.91. Rudy Kohn motioned to approve the December statement as presented. Seconded by Jack Van Etten. All in favor. Treasurer Steve Janus also presented the January 2020 Harbour Trust Statement. Beginning balance was \$303,151.91. Deposited was \$372,073.00 from the Blue Chip Casino. Disbursements totaled \$360.56 and Administrative Expenses of \$63.16. Investment Income was \$412.91 and there was \$0.00 Investment Change. Ending January 2020 balance was \$675,214.10.

Claims: President George Kazmierczak presented two claims for payment. The Invoice for Administrative Assistant Susan Webster for \$410.00 and postage for mailing grant contracts and letters for \$39.20 submitted by Susan Webster. Motion made by Rudy Kohn, seconded by Steve Janus to pay the Invoice. Bret Cox moved to pay the postage costs, seconded by Connie Anderson. Susan Webster abstained on both. All in favor, Motion passes.

Attorney Update: Attorney Mary Lake had nothing new this past month that she needed to perform legal work for. Ms. Lake did ask about the LDA report and

Susan Webster stated she would have it done by Monday, February 24th. At that time Attorney Lake will review the report on line and make any corrections needed and submit it to the Indiana Gaming Commission by the due date of March 1st.

Old Business: Board President Kazmierczak stated that our February 13th regularly scheduled Board Meeting was postponed due to a winter storm. Board Members were notified about changing the meeting by email and the Board Members replied by majority that February 19th at 5:00 pm would be the date set to replace the February 13th meeting.

The Board discussed the Grant Awards Banquet on March 25th at the Blue Chip Suncoast Room. Invitations will be sent out to the nine City Council members, the Clerk's Office employees and the Mayor and Mrs. Duane Parry. Two members from each organization receiving a grant award will be able to attend the Banquet as our guests.

Arise and Shine needs to make another correction on their December 2019 Quarterly Report. All others are caught up. Twenty Six organizations have spent their entire grant award. Those that have remaining balances need to be spent and reports submitted by March 31st.

New Business: The terms for three Board members expire on March 31st, 2020. Two are Mayoral appointments and one is a City Council appointment. The Board Members will contact the Mayor or Council if they wish to continue serving on the MCCEC Board.

The Board discussed awarding further grant awards for this grant cycle and for adding more money to some of those that were awarded a grant at our January Board Meeting. Those amounts were: Citizens Concerned for the Homeless, Grant #17 changed from \$3,000 to \$5,000.00, Interfaith Community PADS, Grant #24 changed from \$10,000 to \$15,000.00, Interfaith Community PADS Grant #32, changed from \$10,000 to \$15,000.00, Junior Achievement Grant #48, changed from \$2,500.00 to \$5,000.00, Lubeznik Center's Grant #53 was awarded a grant for \$2,500.00, Salvation Army's Grant #54 was awarded a grant for \$5,000.00, Anthony Adams House, Grant #57, awarded a grant for \$2,000.00 and Arise & Shine Grant #64, grant awarded for \$2,000.00.

Board Comments: Steve Janus would like the Board to discuss issuing partial payments to organizations receiving grant awards that don't spend the monies until the third or fourth quarter of the grant cycle.

Sue Webster thanked everyone for participating in our discussions for the grant awards and how smoothly it all went. Everyone contributed to the awards distributions as we awarded the grants.

George Kazmierczak stated that Ron Miller will be the M.C. for our Banquet on March 25th and one of the things we will ask him to mention is the Quarterly Reports that are still outstanding on that date. The deadline for this grant cycle's reports is March 31st.

Attorney Mary Lake will be out of town during our March Board Meeting so will be unable to attend but will be here for the Banquet.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 11th, 2020 at 5:00 pm in the Mayor's Conference Room.

Adjournment: Motion made by Chris Carter to adjourn at 7:10 pm. Seconded by Connie Anderson, all in favor. So adjourned.

Submitted by Susan Webster