

5/1/15

RPC Meeting

Attendees:

Eileen Tittle, Jesse Thomas, Karen Arnold, Lisa Lee, Connie Lydon, Cathy Hicks, Mary Rivet, Mary Puente, Melissa Pappas

Old Business:

The PHA/RPC budget spreadsheet was looked over.

The wi-fi Grant, computer grant, and special call grant need to be spent by the end of May.

We are over budget on accounting fees. It is possible we were double billed for audit work. Jesse will look into that.

Office expenses are over budget in several categories. Postage is a big one as are office supplies. Funds from RPC-PC HUD grant payout will be moved to make the office categories that are over balance out.

Officers training went over budget. Funds could be moved from Residents Council training.

All negative columns on the budget will be zeroed out.

Copies of the budget will be sent out for further review.

All grant monies have been paid out to the hi-rises. The Presidents Council has \$9000 in grant funds yet to receive. Those funds will stay with the Council.

Garden beds:

Concerns were raised about the kind of raised garden beds that were put in. Some people were under the impression the beds would be much larger. At some hi-rises there are a lot of people who want to garden. These beds won't be big enough to accommodate that.

The beds being put in are about 4 feet long and 3 feet wide. Right now this is kind of a pilot program. If the garden beds are used well and maintained more could be provided in a year or two.

Looking into purchasing more garden beds is an option. This can be brought up at the next Presidents Council meeting. The first step should be to talk to Yen Tran and discuss what your hi-rise would like.

Wi-Fi and computer grants:

Most computer grant funds have been spent. New computers are in the process of being installed.

A contractor has been hired to do the wi-fi wiring. Work has not started yet.

Secretary of State Filing:

Filing for all hi-rises had been done.

Presidents Council Audit:

We finally have the audit results. There were a few small findings such as a check with a mistake in the amount and a missing receipt on another check from 2013.

There were questions about funds listed as non-federal. (Was there a separate account for these funds? There isn't.)

There were also questions about meeting minutes. (Some RPC minutes couldn't be found.)

Corrections will be made and the report returned to the CPA firm.

Resident Involvement:

Ways to get residents involved and engaged were discussed. There are more and more young residents in the hi-rises and they don't seem to want to get involved with things.

Community arts programs might be of interest.

Doing a survey could be beneficial. The issue there is getting enough responses.