

Lewis County Senior Meals

January 26, 2021

2:01 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Stamper, Commissioner Pollock, Commissioner Swope, County Manager Erik Martin, Ron Averill, Glenda Forga, Nicole Kiddoo from LMTAAA, Becky Butler, Meja Handlen

Guests: Frank Corbin, Susan DeLaire, Edna Fund, member(s) from the Chronicle

Recorder: Tammy Martin

Glenda Forga provided the final COVID report for 2020. This snapshot is a nine month budget that included \$955,304 from LMTAAA, FEMA, United Way and CARES funding. The Senior Center has accessed \$745,835 of those funds to pay for meals, operating expenses, wages & benefits, food supplies, professional services, vehicle expenses, and mileage. The average meal costs \$10.61 to prepare and those receiving meals are encouraged to donate \$3-\$5 for each meal. The thrift store paid for itself, but did not provide extra revenue due to COVID-19 closures. There is \$21,564 deficit. Glenda said funding is still being received to cover expenses.

Glenda Forga shared the Lewis County Seniors' 2021 budget forecast of \$687,554 in expected revenue. They have received \$8,292 in donations with a total of \$59,034 in funding received. They've currently spent \$79,513 and have a deficit of \$20,208.

Glenda reported the Meals to Trunk program averages 592 seniors that pick up meals and there are approximately 224 deliveries to Lewis County area homes. They have served 15,827 meals for the year.

Glenda reported the Lewis County Senior's held their annual meeting and elected Ron Averill as the president, Carol Brock as vice president, and secretary as Zora DeGrandpre.

The fairgrounds has helped with a gate for security purposes. There is a large problem with homeless persons. They are leaving feces in the parking lot and putting it on the vehicles. There have been issues with garbage and homeless living in the dumpsters. Glenda feels concerned for her safety and the safety of others.

Glenda expressed frustrations about Providence's vaccination event held the previous weekend. She is hoping that going forward, there will be communications with the Senior Centers to distribute information to the seniors that frequent the centers.

Meeting ended at 3:02 p.m.