

MEETING December 10, 2024

Meeting called to order 6:35.

Board members present: Chuck Landever, Shirley Landever, Maria Deckert

Minutes read.

Treasury report given.

The turkey dinner was held. We sponsored many families. The raffle for the quilts brought in \$720, which we donated to Ridgeline. We were also going to donate to Bills Creek Volunteer Fire Department, but Chief Jammie Howell requested that we donate to the Girl Scouts instead. We presented a check for \$1000 to Michelle Bartley, Girl Scout Troop 10213 for uniforms. Our profit from the dinner, after food costs but before donations, was \$6487.17.

The 2024 year was very productive for Bills Creek Community Center. We added the food pantry, a basketball hoop, improved the playground and dog park, repaired and painted the picnic tables, added the shed, horseshoe pits, and the medical equipment closet. We held a firearm training class and a CPR class. We hosted the Ham Radio club, the girl scouts, the Fairfield Choir and the cloggers. Through the year, we donated over \$6000 to others.

We have had many donations to the MELC. We are ready to loan out, which can be done on Tuesdays or by appointment. We need shelving, large plastic totes, and hooks. Julia will purchase what is needed and will be reimbursed. The sign for the MELC was ordered and should be delivered this week. Clif will install. April is printing flyers for distribution to churches, doctors' offices, library, etc. The Grand Opening will be held January 16, 2025, at 4pm. Julia will purchase the ribbon.

The chimney is leaking. We are getting an estimate for repairs on 12/12/24. The work will be done 2025.

The humidity is under control since encapsulating the crawl space and running a dehumidifier.

The floors have to be done. Lake Lure Flooring will be contacted to get started.

Clif and Pam Swan had ideas for the dog park. They would like to add an agility course, estimated \$300, and another fence around the course, estimated \$700.

We hope to replace the appliances (1 stove and refrigerator). Habitat will accept/pick up old appliances.

We ordered 3 new signs to replace the existing "Bills Creek Community Center" signs.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05.