

## CMF Board / June 14th, 2023 / Becca, Lisa, Carol, Lo, Emily, Karen, Sam and Rohn

### Call to Order

**Approval of Minutes:** June minutes: approved

### Staff Reports

#### Director's Report / Emily

Sabbatical was an important break for Emily, and the transition back to work has gone well. Emily did a thorough review of finances (see her documents for full information). Some key points:

- Real progress has been made reconciling and clarifying financial records.
- Sales and rentals are almost back to pre-pandemic levels, and C-M is just about breaking even now.
- The budget now includes more money going to labor costs, a reflection of the values and goals of the organization to invest more in staff who are committed to the mission.
- There is a significant growth in grant funding. Staff have worked hard to acquire grant money for projects that reflect C-M's values.

#### Red Herring Report / Karen

- The health department approved the cooler.
- Upcoming Vegan BBQ on Wednesday, June 21 from 5:30 - 8 pm
- This Friday is the first [Handmade Harvest](#), taking place near Salt & Light. Red Herring will regularly contribute food to these events. Every other Wednesday, Red Herring will also participate in the [Mobile Market](#). First one is on Wednesday, June 28 at the Sav-A-Lot parking lot.
- Financial report / key points: Red Herring is financially solid (good sales and efficient costs); special events are good money-makers; staff hope to build a volunteer base.

#### Office Operations / Sam

- Bucket Brigade clients who need pet food for their animals will now be able to receive it.
- Rohn and Sam are finishing up their history of the Bucket Brigade.
- Bathroom: Sam's dad submitted plans to the city; interested contractors will be visiting on 6/15 to assess the project.
- UI Vendor application: getting this is a priority, but requires some additional research and the updating of our policies.
- Financial report: on track for both rentals and parking

#### Facilities / Rohn

- Preparation for bathroom construction
- Karen has done amazing work on the garden; additional landscaping is planned

#### New Business

- Fundraiser: Beginning in July through Quad Day; will be based on the cost for the bathroom rehab; All Board members are urged to be part of the Quad Carnival on August 20.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, July 18th**