

**Fines Creek Community Association
Monthly Meeting of the Board
April 28, 2026**

Board members present: Michael McAdams, Benny Lanning, Karen Hammett, Kat Barzeski, Donna Arrington, Mary Coker and Betty Heatherly.

Absent: Janet Small

Meeting called to order: 6:38 pm by President Michael McAdams

Agenda for the meeting was distributed to all Board members present.

Board and Community meetings were combined, joint meeting was due to the few community members in attendance.

Secretary Minutes (as presented by Michael) - minutes from the March 31, 2026 meeting were presented to the Board members via email or hand-outs. Motion was made by Karen to approve, Betty seconded. Motion carried.

Report of the President: informational highlights of current and ongoing activities at the Center
(See attachment)

Treasurer's report - Karen presented:

Deposits less disbursements:

- \$8,318.48 April's reduction is due to large disbursement to Carolina Hardwood

Balance Sheet Account Balances:

Manna Operating Balance:	\$20,389.17
Manna - Regular Balance:	\$ 3,021.80
Home Trust Checking Balance:	\$30,456.87
Home Trust Money Market:	\$50,393.24
Total Cash/Savings:	\$80,850.11

Motion was made by Bennie seconded by Kat to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Additional Treasurer's financial/reporting items:

CPA has requested for an extension of the 2025 Form 990 reporting.

Human Services grant from CFNC as budgeted will be used to pay annual insurance budgeted at \$2,036 has increased to \$2,247 due May 2026. Stable goods will be purchased to spend down the grant timely prior to grant end for this grant.

NOW grant (Bridge Foundation grant) - after a review of the expense reporting, expenditures such as electricity and pest spray expenses have been reclassified. While the grant appeared to be overspent, expenses were moved to the Operating account as the grant report is now closed. This particular grant can be applied for by year end, depending on the funding of other grant opportunities.

MCI, Digital Initiation \$1,500 - usage of funds can be food or food related items. Michael requested \$300 of these funds be given to Joey and Rees in a gas card for all the driving they do for Manna operations. Bennie made the motion to give Joey and Rees a gift card, Betty seconded. Motion carried. Michael further read the spending requirements for the Digital Initiative grant as it relates to the Pantry allowable expenses.

Committee Reports:

- Events (Kat): May 2nd, 6 - 9pm - Ramp dinner. Final arrangements have been made and setting up to be in the gym and decoration on Friday.
- Canning (Laryssa): No canning at this time. Four FCCA members are taking the Food Process Manager's course.
- Building/Maintenance: Flooring is now complete. Two front rooms have been taken down, now doing the cleaning. The gym roof does not appear to have any leaks due to the recent rain falls.
- Landscaping: Front flower beds have been reworked and three flower beds in the back with a painted picnic table nearby. Front areas next to the gym will be kept cut and treated with the herbicide product Roundup, as needed.

Old Business:

Website & Donation Button - Karen will follow up with Greg Livengood.

Remaining monies on the Feeding America grant - no action at this time. We will wait, pending approval of other grant awards, to determine spending out for this grant.

Memory wall at Auditorium: Utilizing the back wall next to the stage. Possible options include: selling spaces on the wall on memories for past Fines Creek community folks, Mr David Noland has lots of memorabilia to share with the FCCA. Mary had many ideas from local areas she had visited. To be tabled until the next meeting to view other memory walls in our township.

Solar Panel proposal - Waiting to hear back from Sugar Hollow Solar. Karen has submitted the request for electric usage on the Brick building for calendar 2025 and the first three months of 2026. It has been stated, he needs additional information from Karen, she will follow-up with him, part of monthly statements are due to the splits of the costs for electrical usage from the Canning grant usage.

Mike Sherrill - presented to the FCCA a \$2,000 donation, to be used where there is the greatest need.

New Business:

Sheree Sorrells, business owner of Whitewoven Textile Art Studio, presenter for rent space from FCCA. Sheree, a weaver and a textile person, brought many of her creations. Michael explained the current status of the room, the necessary cleaning and interior changes to be completed. Sheree plans to use a brighter light for her work with our request to use LED light bulb(s.) Personal kerosene heater(s) will be her source of heat in the winter time. Details will be worked out for usage of the stove in the gym and water will come from the Library restroom. Bennie made the motion to rent the Brick Building front room at \$450/month including utilities for a one year period. After the one year, revisit our actual costs, possibly increasing the rent to \$500 or \$550/month. Kat seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dogs (vicious dogs) at the Community Center - three incidents where dogs have chased or attempted to bite people at the Center. One of the victims has contacted the Sheriff and Animal Control. It was told to the victim, to enforce signs that say "dogs must be on a leash." It was decided, we will install at least five or six signs at the property's access points. The motion was made by Bennie, we will put the signs up. Motion was seconded by Donna. Motion carried.

Unexpected person coming into the Pantry - this man appeared to be high. Based on the body actions and reactions of this person, it was recommended to keep the doors locked and/or latched when people are working in the kitchen or in the cafeteria. At this time, we will keep the thumb lock.

Gas cards from MCI monies for Joey & Rees: - see above: "Additional Treasurer's financial/reporting items:"
MCI Digital Initiative received Board approval.

Bathroom Cleaning Changes - same order, no change to the assignment schedule. Each person is now color coded. Six bathrooms to be cleaned: Library, Breezeway and the Gym. The Library needs special attention and it needs to be mopped. The suggested day for cleaning is Wednesday, Library and Gym now closed for the week.

Additional Business, announcements or community news

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UPDATE - Amerigas Propane Tanks invoices - Karen presented:

We now received a past due notice for \$911, we have been turned over to a collection agency, additionally we have received notice from the collection agency. We have been advised, our service has been suspended even though Amerigas has picked up their tanks. At this time, we are committed to pay \$200 as previously stated, for the pick up of their tanks.

Meeting adjourned: 8:05pm

Respectfully submitted by
Janet Small, Secretary