

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 1, 2021

MINUTES

A MEETING of the Senior Advisory Committee was held on Monday, February 1, 2021, via Zoom call from the offices of Downers Grove Township, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515.

1. **Call to Order.** Chairperson Gaye Wagner called the meeting to order at 1:34pm.
2. **Roundtable Introductions.** Roundtable introductions were made and are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
3. **Review and Approve Minutes.** The Minutes of the January 4, 2021 Meeting were reviewed by members and upon motion made by Kathy Abbate, and seconded by Pat Klebenow, the Minutes were approved.
4. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
5. **Committee Reports.**
 - A. **Chairman's Report.** No report
 - B. **Secretary's Report**
 - a. Cathy Rager gave an update on Township Survey Results- so far just under 300 residents have taken it- Cathy will update again in March if enough data has been collected; Delta Sonic coupons are still for sale through February
 - C. **Township Officials Report.** Mark Thoman Township Supervisor
 - a. Brief update on Hinsdale Rotary presentation- 23-25 people attended and seem very interested in learning what the Township does as a whole; positive feedback was received; we also garnered some interest from several attending to help with the Garden Works Project- one is a master gardener
 - b. Waiting to get final approvals for conditional occupancy in order start moving equipment and furnishings in for the Food Pantry
 - D. **Resident Reports** No Reports
6. **Agency Updates.**
 - A. Park Districts
 - a. Sheri Henderson reported that BRPD will NOT be doing Tax preparation for seniors this year; Clarendon Hills Park District is delivering some food items to local residents
 - b. Beth Hahn of The Community House in Hinsdale reported that Ken from AARP will be doing tax prep for seniors in 2 appointments in the same week (1/2hr. and 15 minutes)- waiting to get dates for this; "Sit Up and Get Fit" will begin in February; Summer Brochure Guides will include Pickle Ball, Open Play and Fitness; perhaps small groups in April?
 - B. First Responders

- a. Lynn Dralle reported that all vaccines are now done for their first responders; she also stated that most of the local nursing homes had completed their vaccines also; no classes as of yet but a possible virtual academy in April;
 - C. Julie Larson – Alerted us to the fact that Loaves and Fishes in Naperville is doing tax prep for seniors by appointment-she is sending a flyer that Cathy can email to all members (VITA 630.355.3663 X100); there is a reduced number of appts. available; there are some free home services available call: 630.620.0804; Dupage County Fairgrounds will soon become a vaccination site instead of a testing site
 - D. George Goodwin reported that AARP expects its classes and services to restart soon; George will update Cathy on tax prep locations when he gets them; George also stated that the Global Council on Brain Health said that exercise is extremely important
 - E. Elaine Furjanic of Community Adult Day stated that they currently can accommodate about half of their “normal” clients
 - F. Renee Faur stated that essential caregivers and family members can now come in to visit their loved ones; seniors are becoming complacent and sedentary and need their family visits
7. **New Business** Mark did a recorded virtual tour of the new building for the SAC members attending
8. **Adjournment.** A Motion to Adjourn was made by Pat Klebenow and seconded by Kathy Abbate. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Catherine Rager, Secretary

EXHIBIT A

SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL December 7, 2020 Meeting Attendance

Abbate, Kathy	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident	Present
Beardsley, Ralph	SAC Vice Chairman/Darien Resident	Absent
Gentile, Glen	SAC Board Member/Township Resident	Absent
Henderson, Sheri	SAC Board Member/Burr Ridge Park District	Present
Klebenow, Patricia	SAC Board Member/Westmont Resident	Present
Petranek, Robert	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident	Absent
Wagner/Gaye	SAC Chairperson/Township Resident	Present
Agema, Troy	SAC Liaison with DuPage County Sheriff	Absent
Courtney, Beth	SAC Guest/Touching Hearts at Home	Absent
Dralle, Lynn	SAC Liaison with Westmont Fire Department	Present
Faur, Renee	SAC Guest/Saratoga Grove Assisted Living Center	Present
Furjanic, Elaine	SAC Guest/Community Adult Day Care	Present
Garreau, Janet	SAC Guest/Interfaith Community Partners	Absent
Geppner, Terri	SAC Guest/Pathway to Living	Absent
Goodwin, George	SAC Liaison with AARP	Present
Grimbsy, Lorraine	SAC Guest/DGT Clerk/Willowbrook Resident	Absent
Hahn, Beth	SAC Guest/The Community House	Present
Kelly, Karen	SAC Guest/DGT Trustee/Downers Grove Resident	Absent
Krampits, Alice	SAC Liaison with Westmont Park District	Absent
Larson, Julie	SAC Liaison with DuPage County Senior Services	Present
Mistretta, Susan	SAC Guest/DGT Staff/Darien Resident	Absent
Quirin, Kerry	SAC Guest/Senior Living Experts	Absent
Rager, Cathy	SAC Liaison with DGT/Downers Grove Resident	Present
Thoman, Mark	SAC Guest/DGT Supervisor/Downers Grove Resident	Present