

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 3, 2021
MINUTES

A **MEETING** of the Senior Advisory Committee was held on Monday, May 3, 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 1:35pm.
2. **Roundtable Introductions.** Roundtable introductions were made and are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
3. **Review and Approve Minutes.** The Minutes of the April 5, 2021 Meeting were reviewed. Upon Motion made by Pat Klebenow, and seconded by Kathy Abbate, the Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.
4. **Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
5. **Committee Reports.**
 - A. **Chairman's Report.** Gaye Wagner had no report.
 - B. **Secretary's Report.** Cathy Rager reported that the new Township Center has a restaurant-grade coffee maker waiting to be connected. Furthermore, a new issue of the Banner News has been completed and will be going out to residents by the end of this week. Finally, the Township distributed 235 frozen meal packages on April 27, which included a food donation from Downers Grove North High School students working with FISH.
 - C. **Township Officials Report.** Lorraine Grimsby reported on the results of the recent election. New terms of office will begin on May 17, 2021.
 - D. **Resident Reports.** Robert Petranek reported that the first Senior Survival Series to be held in the new Township Center will be on Tuesday, May 4, 2021. Julie Larson will give a refresher on what DuPage County Senior Services has to offer its residents. Currently, attendance is at capacity with 30 people with a wait list.
6. **Village and County Updates.**
 - A. Park Districts.
 - (i) Sheri Henderson reported that Burr Ridge Park District is offering a cruise to Alaska package, departing on May 25. Burr Ridge is also offering a bus trip to the Virtual Van Gogh exhibit. Finally, Burr Ridge is offering outside bingo and concerts. Sheri also reported that Clarendon Hills Park District is offering senior fitness classes, gardening and pizza and ice cream socials outside.
 - (ii) Alice Krampits was absent so there was no Westmont Park District report.
 - (iii) Beth Hahn of The Community House in Hinsdale was absent so there was no report.

- B. First Responders.
- (i) Troy Agema of DuPage County Sheriff's Department was absent so there was no report.
 - (ii) Westmont Fire Department's Lynn Dralle reported that they are in the process of getting approved to do vaccinations for homebound residents. They expect to be giving both Pfizer and Moderna vaccinations. Any interested people should be directed to Westmont Fire Department.
- C. Julie Larson, of DuPage County Senior Services, reported that they are working with DuPage County Health Department to compile a list of homebound senior citizens. Also, Senior Services has received funding to provide transportation for senior citizens to vaccinations.
- D. George Goodwin reported that three Smart Driver classes have been scheduled for Fall 2021 at the Township Center. Also, two Car Fit events have been scheduled on Saturdays in the Township Center parking lot.
- E. Janet Garreau of Interfaith Community Partners reported that they are still involved in both educating and transporting their clients for vaccinations. Also, Janet thanked everyone who participated in Westmont Library's "Giving DuPage Days". Finally, Janet informed the Board that ICP is looking for volunteers.
- F. Renee Faur of Saratoga Grove Assisted Living Center happy to see the return of in-person visits.
- G. Teri Geppner of Pathway to Living reported that Aging Care Connections has forty different programs scheduled for May 2021. They will be hosting one on cyber security.
7. **Presentation.** Liz Wiggins of AgeGuide Northeastern Illinois gave a presentation on what Age Guide offers to Illinois seniors in the DuPage, Grundy, Kankakee, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will County areas. For more information, go to info@ageguide.org.
8. **New Business.** There was no new business brought before the Board.
8. **Old Business.** There was no old business brought before the Board.
9. **Adjournment.** A Motion to Adjourn was made by Robert Petranek and seconded by Gaye Wagner. The meeting was adjourned at 2:36pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Catherine Rager, Secretary

EXHIBIT A

SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL
May 3, 2021 Meeting Attendance

Abbate, Kathy	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident
Henderson, Sheri	SAC Board Member/Burr Ridge Park District
Klebenow, Patricia	SAC Board Member/Westmont Resident
Petranek, Robert	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident
Wagner/Gaye	SAC Chairperson/Downers Grove Resident
Agema, Troy	SAC Liaison with DuPage County Sheriff
Dralle, Lynn	SAC Liaison with Westmont Fire Department
Faur, Renee	SAC Guest/Saratoga Grove Assisted Living Center
Garreau, Janet	SAC Guest/Interfaith Community Partners
Geppner, Terri	SAC Guest/Pathway to Living
Goodwin, George	SAC Liaison with AARP
Grimsby, Lorraine	SAC Guest/DGT Clerk/Willowbrook Resident
Larson, Julie	SAC Liaison with DuPage County Senior Services
Mistretta, Susan	SAC Guest/DGT Staff/Darien Resident
Rager, Cathy	SAC Liaison with DGT/Downers Grove Resident