

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 5, 2020

MINUTES

A MEETING of the Senior Advisory Committee was held virtually on Monday, October 5, 2020, via Zoom.

1. **Call to Order** Chairperson Gaye Wagner called the meeting to order at 1:35pm.
2. **Roundtable Attendance**. Roundtable Attendance was taken
3. **Guest Introduction** Renee Faur, Community Relations Director, Saratoga Grove was introduced. She would like to help out where she can.
4. **Review and Approve Minutes**. The Minutes from August 3 and September 5, 2020 meeting were reviewed or approved. Pat Klebenow was first and Robert was second.
5. **Public Comment**. There was no public comment.
6. **Vote to renew expired SAC member terms**
Rpbert Petranek and Sheri Henderson's terms were renewed.
7. **Committees/Agency Updates**
 - Chair/Co-Chair- Gaye
 - There are 2 open seats on the committee. SAC is looking for senior resident candidates who reside in the township, but have professional connections and contacts that can be incorporated into our programming activities to maximize our understanding of township senior needs and services
 - Gaye wants to set a game plan for 2021; she wants to employ strategies gained from our senior population through surveys (i.e. Survey Monkey, other questionnaires, personal interviews, etc.)
 - Township Officials
 - Mark gave a brief update on the new building. Work is progressing. There are new interior walls, and it's on schedule (February) and on budget. There will be a building dedication when completed.
 - Mark hopes that the Cares Act will help provide some funding for necessary equipment and furnishings for the new building- but must be Covid-19 related; Mark stated that Cathy and Sue would be working on Senior Services
 - Karen Kelly volunteered at the Frozen Food Giveaway & enjoyed talking to the seniors and seeing their reactions and good spirits
 - Secretary – Cathy, Susan
 - Frozen Meal Distribution is continuing through October not sure about the winter

- Upcoming fundraisers- See's Candies, Kiss Car Wash Coupons, Barnes & Noble and Pierce Tavern possibilities
 - No Dial-A-Ride Report
- Park Districts
 - Beth Hahn, The Community House- They have a Fitness Prime Team of about 15-20 people, Pilates 2X per week w/8-10 people; 3-7 “walkers” are using their track per day- numbers are up a bit; open play Pickle Ball, with the weather changing people are starting to come in; weekly online program- 1 day university lectures on a variety of topics. AARP Events in Chicago- see them online for Free (i.e. Fitness with Flo). TCH is an official voting location on 11/ 3rd; Most programs won't begin until 1/1/21.
- First Responders
 - Lynn Dralle (WFD) There is going to be a virtual Open House. Check out the Village Website; Fire Safety Week is October 12-16, 2020
 - Troy Agema is currently involved with community activities on the 2nd Saturday of each month
- Dupage County Senior Services
 - **Julie Larson** stated that they have a new phone system at the county so not all calls are going through correctly at the moment- residents please be patient; caregivers who need respite- recipients can be seniors 55 and older or grandparents 60 and older raising grandkids); need help with unexpected bills to pay- can be assessed and access funding; LiHeap is backed up until December. Residents who are disconnected can make an appointment for October
- **Janet Garreau** Interfaith Community Partners NEEDS VOLUNTEERS NOW. They will train them via Zoom. There are now about 25 rides per week (60 or 70 before Covid-19). Family members have stepped up to provide rides. Janet asked Cathy to promote the need for volunteers and the Zoom training capabilities through emails and DG Township website
- **Robert Petranek** spoke about the 2021 Timken Grant. We are waiting for a link to put in an application for their next deadline of November 1st. This is a national company with a local business (Love Joy) that resides in Downers Grove. Robert is in touch with the Timken Grant contact person and will let Cathy know when he gets the link. Currently the ask is \$23,000, but it must be reviewed again since prices have gone up and some of the items have changed

EXHIBIT A

SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL September 14, 2020 Meeting Attendance

Abbate, Kathy	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident	Present
Beardsley, Ralph	SAC Vice Chairman/Darien Resident	Present
Gentile, Glen	SAC Board Member/Township Resident	Absent
Henderson, Sheri	SAC Board Member/Burr Ridge Park District	Absent
Klebenow, Patricia	SAC Board Member/Westmont Resident	Present
Mizener, Dr. Floyd	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident	Passed
Petranek, Robert	SAC Board Member/Darien Resident	Present
Vogts/Kate	SAC Board Member/The Community House	Resigned
Wagner/Gaye	SAC Chairperson/Township Resident	Present
Agema, Troy	SAC Liaison with DuPage County Sheriff	Present
Courtney, Beth	SAC Guest/Touching Hearts at Home	Absent
Dralle, Lynn	SAC Liaison with Westmont Fire Department	Present
Garreau, Janet	SAC Guest/Interfaith Community Partners	Present
Goodwin, George	SAC Liaison with AARP	Present
Grimsby, Lorraine	SAC Guest/DGT Clerk/Willowbrook Resident	Absent
Kelly, Karen	SAC Guest/DGT Trustee/Downers Grove Resident	Present
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	Present
Rager, Cathy	SAC Liaison with DGT/Downers Grove Resident	Present
Thoman, Mark	SAC Guest/DGT Supervisor/Downers Grove Resident	Present
Guest		
Beth Hahn	SAC Guest TCH Program Director	Present
Renee Faur	Saratoga Grove Program Director	Present