

**COMBINED MEETING SAC/SALT COUNCIL
November 5, 2018**

CORRECTED MINUTES

A MEETING of the combined SAC/SALT Council was held on Monday, November 5, 2018, at the offices of Downers Grove Township, 4340 Prince Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515.

Noting that a quorum was present, acting Chairman Ralph Beardsley called the meeting to order at 1:32pm. Roundtable introductions were made of all persons present. (See attached Sign-In Sheet.)

A motion was made by Resident Kathy Abbate to approve the Minutes of the October 1, 2018 meeting and was seconded by Chairman Beardsley.

There was no public comment.

Downers Grove Township Senior Services Coordinator Cathy Rager reported on the following Council activities:

1. **2018 Car Care Clinic.** Initial feedback was given at the October 1, 2018 Council meeting. Forty-three cars were serviced, which is the same amount as in 2017. All present reviewed the attached comments and made suggestions, which included (a) redoing the questions on the Mechanic's sheet, (b) having a smaller-in-stature person pull the cars in the bay so as not to disrupt the measurements made by the Car Fit personnel, (c) more help is needed on the morning of the event to pick up the various donations, (d) George Goodwin mentioned needing more volunteers and his willingness to train potential volunteers, and (e) Karen Kelly suggested informing attendees of wait times.

2. **Vintage Times Television Program.** Greg Boltz, Downers Grove Township Assessor, appeared with Cathy in September and gave information regarding Downers Grove Township home assessments and how they affect property taxes. Gary Ostrowski, Downers Grove Township General Assistance Manager, appeared with Cathy in October and gave information regarding the LIHEAP program, as well as general assistance available from the Township. November's program will feature Kristin Adams, a professor at Midwestern University, talking about low vision. The January program will feature a speaker outlining therapy solutions. Cathy will supply more details as they become available. Gaye Wagner asked if viewership statistics were available, which Cathy agreed to look into. Cathy also informed everyone that she distributes DVDs of the programs to local libraries and they are also available.

3. **FFDGTS Update.** Dr. Floyd Mizener was honored as Downers Grove Township Senior VIP at the October 4, 2018 FFDGTS fundraiser held at Aspired Living. Cathy mentioned

that Aspired Living hosted this event at no cost to FFDGTS. Also, FFDGTS earned approximately \$4,000 through raffle ticket sales. The Council thanked Township Liaison Karen Kelly and Township Clerk Lorraine Grimsby for all of their hard work in obtaining donations for the raffle.

4. **Speaker's Bureau.** Cathy suggested Resident Robert Petranek as a possible speaker on senior scams. Resident Gaye Wagner suggested Alzheimer's Disease and Diabetes as possible topics for future speakers.

Acting Chairman Ralph Beardsley brought up the discussion of membership. The Council is currently short one member. He was concerned that the Council always have a quorum present at meetings. Resident Kate Vogts suggested omitting the January meeting because of potentially hazardous weather conditions. She went on to explain that the Senior Committee at The Community House in Hinsdale has taken this action. After much discussion about potential members missing meetings because of residing in warmer climates during the winter, it was decided to add as an Agenda item to the December 3, 2018 meeting a vote on accepting membership of Sheri Henderson, Resident and Senior Services Coordinator for Burr Ridge/Willowbrook Park District, and Glen Gentile, Resident (whose email and telephone number is needed).

Acting Chairman Ralph Beardsley also brought up discussion on the need for a Chairman of the Council. Among other things, the Chairman will suggest talking points and approve the Agenda for each meeting. A suggestion was made to add as an Agenda item for the December 3, 2018 meeting a vote to elect a new Chairman of the Council.

Cathy Rager summarized upcoming important dates for the Council, to-wit:

1. **Tuesday, November 13.** The movie "The Fighting Sullivans" will be shown in a special presentation at the Tivoli Theater at 1:00pm. Admission is \$5.00/person. Following the movie, there will be a discussion led by Hal Burke, President of Victory and Valor Memories, LLC. Cathy encouraged all present to spread the word about the movie. Alice Krampetts, representative of Westmont Park District, added that Westmont Park District has been handing out flyers and has notified the Westmont arm of the American Legion. Cathy announced that FFDGTS will have a table in the lobby and will sell raffle tickets before the performance. A new business in downtown Downers Grove, Great Harvest, has donated a basket for the raffle. Cathy hopes to obtain several more donations. Raffle ticket sales will be the major source of gifting for Township seniors. Karen Kelly informed the Council that the Tivoli has a membership program that sends emails to members announcing new movies. She asked if someone could request the Tivoli to add The Fighting Sullivans to its next email. Finally, Robert Petranek suggested taking a picture of the Tivoli marquee and post it on the NextDoor website.

2. **The Week of November 12-18.** FFDGTS's November fundraising effort will be at The Country House restaurant in Clarendon Hills. Anyone presenting the FFDGTS flyer while dining there can earn our non-profit 15% of their dining check (excluding liquor, tip and tax).

Return visits are allowed as the fundraiser lasts an entire week. All Council members were encouraged to spread the word for this important date.

3. **Tuesday, December 11, and Friday, December 21.** FFDGTS's December fundraiser is a gift-wrapping event at the Oakbrook Barnes & Noble. Volunteers are needed to fill the time slots of 3:00 to 9:00pm on December 11, and 3:00 to 9:00pm on December 21. Time slots can be broken down into more manageable three-hour shifts. All supplies are furnished by Barnes & Noble, but volunteers can bring gift tags, bows and ribbon if desired. Notify Cathy as soon as possible if you are interested in participating in this event.

It was decided that the December 3, 2018 meeting will also be a potluck holiday luncheon. Lunch will start at 12:30pm, followed by the meeting at its usual 1:30pm time.

Finally, Kate Vogts announced that The Community House in Hinsdale will be hosting a combination luncheon program featuring a behind-the-scenes presentation about The Tonight Show. The event will take place at The Community House on Thursday, November 18, 2018 from 12:00 to 2:00pm. The cost is \$10/members and \$13/non-members and all are welcome to attend.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Resident Pat Klebenow and seconded by Resident Kathy Abbate. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Rager, Recording Secretary

Attachments: Sign-In Sheet
Minutes of October 1, 2018 Council Meeting
Feedback on 2018 Car Care Clinic
Flyer for "The Fighting Sullivans"
Flyer for The Community House Luncheon/Presentation