



Schaumburg Township
Senior Citizens Services Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 16, 2022

- I. Call to Order
Meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by Committee Member Kasinger.

- II. Roll Call (those in attendance)
Mark Chareso
Linda Kasinger
Kathy Ray
Marilyn Pande
Sheva Wolhart
Director Becky Cordes

- III. Approval of April 18, 2022 Minutes
Motion to approve the SCSC minutes from April 18, 2022 made by Kathy Ray. Second by Sheva Wolhart. Motion carried.

- IV. Public Comments
None.

- V. Reports
 - a. Chairperson's Report
None. Chairperson Croke was not in attendance.

 - b. Trustee Liaison's Report
None. Trustee Fiorio was not in attendance.

 - c. Director's Report
Director Cordes reported Senior Services just signed an agreement with AgeOptions for a SHIP MIPPA grant of \$3,700. This grant focuses on doing outreach to low-income seniors, providing education on programs like Extra Help and the Medicare Savings Plan. Senior Services also received a payment last week of \$6,045 for another SHIP grant that just concluded in March.

Director Cordes has received about 6 inquiries regarding committee membership since the Town Crier went out last week. All inquiries were informed meetings would resume in September and were invited to attend then. Director Cordes will follow up with interested individuals in early September to invite them to meetings.

Information in the monthly Board Report is being changed a bit to make it more meaningful. Departments will no longer be including phone call and email totals in monthly reports. Disability and Senior Services will start including "Case Management" to their monthly reports beginning in June. This will capture follow up tasks staff complete with clients.

- VI. Old Business
 - a. Funded Agency Reports

Reports were reviewed. No action needed.

b. AARP Foundation Tax Aide

AARP volunteers completed a total of 502 tax returns this year and had only 2 returns rejected from the IRS. The new call-center scheduling method utilized this year was a great success. This proved to be an efficient and effective way of getting clients scheduled, managing client requests to cancel or reschedule, and communicate schedules with AARP staff. This process will be replicated next year.

VII. New Business

a. Township Community Needs Assessment

The Township's Board of Trustees approved the hiring of Polco to conduct a community needs assessment. The assessment is currently being finalized and should be distributed to a random sample of Township residents by the end of the month. About two weeks before the close of the assessment period, a link will be provided for anyone within the Township to complete. A final report of the data is expected around the end of August. Data will be able to be sorted based on age group, which will provide Senior Services some good data. There is also the possibility of conducting smaller, more targeted surveys regarding Senior Services over the next year.

b. Programming Updates

Dad's Day Out is happening on June 17. This event is meant to celebrate dads, but is not a men's only event. The Lake Geneva Boat Tour is sold out after being expanded to include 14 more seats. Other upcoming programs include Rules of the Road on June 10, Steel Magnolias on June 15 and Four Winds Casino on July 26.

c. Committee Member Updates/Questions

Committee Member Wolhart requested an article be included in the Town Crier on how to sign up for the Senior Newsletter. Director Cordes will make sure that happens for the August edition.

Committee Member Kasinger asked if any seniors had expressed concern over the increase in Social Security and how it may affect their eligibility for the Senior Freeze on their property taxes. Director Cordes will check in with the Assessor's Office about this.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Kathy Ray. Second by Marilyn Pande. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.