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Senior Citizens Commission

June, 2023

Dear Fellow Commissioner:

This month's meeting of the Senior Citizens Commission will be held Monday June 19, 2023, at 1:00 P.M. in Club Room Three of the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center located at 15801 Michigan Avenue.

Enclosed are the proposed agenda and the minutes from our last meeting. Please bring along any suggestions or recommendations you may have.

Keep smiling.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Blankinship".

Manuela Blankinship
Chairperson

Senior Citizen Commission Minutes

Date: May 15, 2023

Meeting Called to Order

- ❖ Called to order: Manuela Blankinship

Roll Call

- ❖ Present: Manuela Blankinship – Chair Person
- ❖ Gary Kulesus – Assistant Chair Person
- ❖ Cecilia Pilon – Secretary
- ❖ Marylynn Balewski – Senior Service Supervisor
- ❖ Lucia Gleise – Commissioner
- ❖ Ana Mastroianni – Commissioner

- ❖ Absent: Tom Durfy
- ❖ Jan Schulz

- ❖ Guests: Leslie Herrick – Councilwoman
- ❖ Mary Kay – Guest Speaker from Senior Alliance

Agenda

- ❖ Motion to accept by: Ana Mastroianni
- ❖ Seconded by: Lucia Gleise
- ❖ Motion carried

Minutes

- ❖ Motion to accept by: Ana Mastroianni
- ❖ Seconded by: Lucia Gleise
- ❖ Motion carried

Unfinished Business

- ❖ Working on possibility of a Social Worker for Seniors.
- ❖ Drivers from Senior Transportation to be available to drive for Senior Events.

Transportation

- ❖ 418 Clients (19 days). Need drivers to be able to be available for Senior Events.

Phone Reassurance

- ❖ Currently 7 clients

Meals on Wheels

- ❖ Average client count is 150 per day, 100 out of St. Paul and 50 out of Dearborn East. 11 new clients since April 24.

Hope and Healing

- ❖ 10 Clients in April

Volunteers:

- ❖ Still in need of volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels. Currently 41 Drivers and 20 subs. Also, kitchen help – 12 volunteers.

Liquid Nutrition

- ❖ 21 Clients May 3, 2023. They received 4 cases of Liquid Nutrition

Food Distribution

- ❖ 46 clients

Senior Services Information and Activities

- ❖ Rahme – Volunteer Luncheon to be held May18, 2023 in Lincoln Ballroom. Movie Day second Friday of each month. We now have a Mahjong Club meeting on Thursdays at 4pm. Chess Club is averaging 5 players per week.

Travel

- ❖ Debra continues to work on Mackinac Island Trip in October and Camp Dearborn trip in August. Flyers for Day Trips and some overnight trips are available in Senior Lounge.

New Business

Mary Kay Kramer from Senior Alliance spoke at the opening of our meeting. Her talk was very informative. She left many helpful pamphlets and flyers which will be distributed to Meals on Wheels Clients and will also be available in the Senior Office. Some of the topics she touched on

Medicare, Medicaid Assistance program (Wayne County, Detroit not included). Meetings once a month at Senior Center – second Wednesday of the month from 9am until 3pm:

- ❖ Help with Medicare Billing Problems
- ❖ Work on scams – help educate people
- ❖ Now have Counseling Sites – see flyer
- ❖ Ten counselors at Access

Communications

- ❖ Monthly Senior Calendar to Meals on Wheels Clients and copies to Senior Commission

Adjournment

- ❖ Motion to adjourn at 2:38pm by Lucia Gleise
- ❖ Seconded by: Gary Kulesus
- ❖ Motion carried

Respectfully submitted:
Cecilia Pilon

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ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



Navigating Medicare

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We don't sell Medicare plans—we just help you understand them. Our local, certified counselors provide resources, review your plan options, help you enroll in the plan of your choice or apply for benefits to reduce your healthcare costs. Let us be your guide to maximize your benefits and savings.

Certified Counselors Available

- Contact our Office to Schedule a Telephone Appointment
- Visit A MMAP Counseling Site
- Attend a Medicare Presentation
- Community Sites Listed on The Back of This Flyer



(734)727-2067

We have counselors who speak Arabic, French and American Sign Language. If you speak another language, we have resources to assist you too.

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AGENDA
JUNE 19, 2023
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION MEETING

Call to order

Roll call

Adopt agenda

Accept minutes

Updates

- Transportation
- Telephone re-assurance
- Meals on Wheels
- Liquid Nutrition
- Surplus Food Distribution
- Senior Activities
- Hope & Healing

New business

Communications: July and August Senior Commission Meetings

Such other matters as may properly be submitted to the commission.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023