

SENIOR CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD October 12, 2023

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The Senior Citizen's Oversight Committee met in regular session on October 12, 2023, at the Senior Center. Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Koogle at 4:24 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present: Freda Emrick and Bonnie Koogle, Council Member.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mark Cross, Township Trustee.

ALSO PRESENT:

Chenoa Erisman-Executive Director and Pat Shively, Finance Director.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Emrick moved to approve the minutes. Mrs. Koogle seconded.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS:

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

1. The Monday Senior Meal Program is still going well at the center. Well over 100 seniors have benefited from the program. We are currently serving 60+ seniors each week.
2. I am pleased with our membership already this year. We currently have 295 members and have collected \$2,780.00 in membership dues. 69 members are non-residents.
3. We have been active, and our participation has been great. Our volunteer and sponsor support is also improving.
4. Bus trip outings have been going well. I've been trying to plan more day trips. Last Saturday, Steve drove the bus to Connersville, IN and we got on a train ride to Metamora. It was a fun trip! We also have a Waynesville Holiday shopping trip and a LaComedia trip planned.
5. We had two rentals in August. The city is using the center for an Economic Development meeting on Oct. 18th. We've also had a few community uses. The Twisted Pretzel Bike Tour, GARS, and the Pretzel Festival Queen Court used the center in September. The Historical Society will use the center for their annual dinner on Nov. 5th. Edward Jones rented the center for their Holiday Customer Appreciation on Nov. 30th. Also, we already have three rentals scheduled for December.
6. The senior center will be used again as a polling location on Nov. 7th. Therefore, the center will be closed.
7. We passed our surprise health inspection on Sept. 29th.
8. We had a Craft Fair on Sat., Sept. 30th. I'd like to thank Wanda Barker for heading it up and the several volunteers who helped. Even though it was less attended than before, we were still able to raise \$439 for our craft days and supplies for the center.
9. Our city grant writer, Pat Higgins, and I have been searching for an art grant to establish an art class at the center.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT CON'T:

10. We have started a new activity on the 3rd Wednesday at 11 a.m. It's called Card Bingo and it's fun! Volunteer, Wanda Barker, is leading it.
11. We are starting a new Wellness Class, Healthy Eating with Diabetes, on Mondays starting Oct. 16th at 3 p.m. Eve Keister-Miller, Germantown graduate and Wellness Coordinator for Kingston will be teaching the class.
12. I'd like to mention a few special events coming up. We are having a Veteran's Breakfast on Nov. 9th at 9:30 a.m. We are having a Thanksgiving Luncheon on Nov. 22 at 12 pm. Also, we are having a Christmas Breakfast on Dec. 20 at 9:30 a.m.
13. There will need to be a few repairs at the Center in the near future. Steve has been helping me narrow down an ice maker. The Pergola has a lot of dry rot and wood is falling. The back door dropped and is getting stuck and wood above the back door needs attention. Someone backed into one of our parking lot signposts and knocked it out, and the gazebo needs attention.
14. I was invited to set up a table for German Township's National Night Out. It was a very nice event!
15. I have been working on a special plaque to honor Nelda Lane for her generous donation to the senior center. It's a small token and we could never re-pay her kindness and thoughtfulness to us.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

None.

BUSINESS:

1. Review of Proposed 2024 budget, not yet reviewed or approved by City Council
 - a. Ms. Higgins explained the proposed 2024 budget. Everything is pretty much staying the same except for the insurance/bonding increase. The Capital Outlay was explained. We discussed the potential generator and allocation for structure improvements.

Mrs. Emrick moved to approve the proposed budget. Mrs. Koogle seconded.

VOICE VOTE ON MOTION. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Discussion of monthly newsletter. Since the Senior Center calendar is in the City newsletter now, we no longer mail the calendar out monthly. This results in an estimated savings of \$2,000.00/yr.
Members can still get a monthly calendar via picking it up at the center, by going to the city's website: Germantown.oh.us under the resident's tab or by email.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mrs. Koogle motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chenoa Erisman- Senior Center Director