

SENIOR CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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The Senior Citizen's Oversight Committee met in regular session on January 11, 2024, at the senior center. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Koogle at 4:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

The following members were present: Freda Emrick, Bonnie Koogle, Council Member and Mark Cross, Township Trustee.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

ALSO PRESENT:

Chenoa Erisman-Executive Director, Faith Alexander-Assistant, and Steve Faber-Bus Driver.

ORGANIZATION:

- A. Elect Chairperson for 2024: Mr. Cross nominated Mrs. Koogle. Mrs. Emrick seconded.
- B. Elect Vice-Chairperson for 2024: Mrs. Koogle nominated Mr. Cross. Mrs. Emrick seconded.
- C. Set Meeting Dates and Times-Oversight Agreement States Quarterly (January, April, July, October):
Second Thursday at 4:30 pm.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Cross moved to approve the minutes. Mrs. Emrick 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 still serving 60+ seniors each week.
2. We were pleased to end 2023 with 320 members. Yearly memberships are starting to pour in and we look forward to another great year.
3. We were pleased with the activities and participation in 2023.
4. We had 70+ in attendance at both our Thanksgiving Luncheon and Christmas Breakfast.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT CON'T:

5. Amanda Campbell, the owner of a new massage therapy business in town, Wabi-Sabi Wellness has started volunteering at the center. She gives 15 minute massages to our seniors from 11 am-1 pm on the 2nd Monday of each month. The seniors are thoroughly enjoying it!
6. We finished the last quarter with some fun bus trips: Christmas harps concert, Connersville, IN for a Metamora train ride, Waynesville holiday event, Light Up Middletown, and LaComedia.
7. Last quarter we had 4 rentals and 4 community uses (Community Development Mtg, Historical Society, Rotary Club, and city employee Christmas Luncheon).
8. I've gotten estimates on the few repairs needed at the center (Pergola has a lot of dry rot and wood is falling, wood above the back door needs attention, parking lot signpost that someone backed into, and the gazebo. One of the contractors came and fixed our back door for free and it's been working great. There was a potential problem with our roof. A roofing contractor believes it was due to a roof access door being left open, which he shut, and it should be good now.
9. We have our Look-at-the-Year-Ahead meeting on Jan. 31. I always look forward to the member's suggestions and ideas.
10. AARP Income Taxes will be on Mondays this year starting on Feb. 5 and will run through April 15th. Appointments will be from 9:30 am-12:30 pm. People need to call the center or come in to schedule their appointment.
11. We have an upcoming Valentine Dinner & Dance on Monday, Feb. 12 starting at 5:30 pm. Entertainment will be The Phyllis Moyer Band.
12. Our calendar will be easily accessible now on the city website. I spoke with Will, our Community Relations Manager, and he was able to give the senior center its own tab on the website. This will be so helpful and easier for the seniors and others to find us.
13. Rental Policy Change Discussion: Decision was made to change the Rental Policy.
New Policy: All day rentals from 9 am-10 pm. Renter must pick up the key before the rental.
Fees: \$50-Non-profit businesses, \$150-For profit businesses, \$400-Personal, get \$100 deposit back for returning key promptly in our secure mailbox, and building is left clean and orderly with no damage.
New security cameras will be installed before the new policy goes into effect. The decision was made to go with Advanced Digital Security.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

None.

BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Mr. Cross motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chenoa Erisman- Senior Center Director