

Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens was held on Thursday, May 1 2008 at the Troy Community Center. Chair Bud Black called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM.

Present:	Jo Rhoads, Member	James Berar, Member
	Frank Shier, Member	David Ogg, Member
	Pauline Noce, Member	Bud Black, Member
	Merrill Dixon, Member	JoAnn Thompson, Member
	Carla Vaughan, Staff	

Absent: Betty Coven, excused

Visitors: Paula Fleming

Approval of Minutes

Resolution # SC-2008-5-001
Moved by Jim Berar
Seconded by Frank Shier

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of April 3, 2008 be approved as submitted.

Yes: 8
No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Visitor Comments

Paula Fleming discussed upcoming school district events and news.

OLD BUSINESS

Lunch Visits: No report. This item will be removed from the agenda.

Medicare Part D: No report. This item will be removed from the agenda until October.

Projects for 2008:

Lunch Donation Box: Carla spoke to Emerald staff and the donation box is in place once again. Jo Ann will pay close attention to how it is handled when she comes to lunch on Tuesday and let Carla know if there is a problem.

Traffic Signs, Etc.: Carla reported that since someone did come to the meeting last year (Jan. 2007) from the Traffic Engineering Department to address traffic issues, they would like questions submitted in writing so they can be sure they address the proper issues. Jim will put something in writing.

Enhanced Garden at Community Center: Merrill Dixon would like to see a bench or tree or some such item at this site recognizing the Senior Advisory Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Suggestion Box: Carla reported that there were several suggestions to bring back Ilene Hill as an exercise instructor. She had to resign last year because she was under contract with another company. She is no longer under contract with them and we are going to try to set something up with her beginning in the fall if not sooner.

Dandelions Along Roadways: David Ogg reported that there are too many dandelions along the roadways. If the City is going to go to the trouble to plant flowers, they should spray the weeds too. Spraying by the City would be worthwhile even if the County is responsible for the area.

Meeting Schedule: Carla suggested that due to the limited amount of business, the Committee should consider meeting every other month. After discussion, the Committee voted in favor of trying it.

Resolution # SC-2008-5-002
Moved by David Ogg
Seconded by Jo Rhoads

RESOLVED, That beginning in September 2008, the Committee meet every other month.

Yes: 5
No: 3

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS

Park Board: Pauline Noce reported that there is nothing special to report and that things are going well.

Senior Program: Carla reported that the Zumba Gold exercise class that started in March continues to remain popular with approximately 70 in attendance each week. The Nintendo Wii workshop for seniors attracted about 20 participants who enjoyed the experience. Troy has three teams in the new Men’s 50 Plus softball league that is being offered in the evening so seniors who are still working can participate. There are nine registered for the bocce league and seven registered for the shuffleboard league. Today was the deadline to register, but we will hold off on making a decision about the leagues until the meetings next week.

Medi-Go: Jo Rhoads reported that they are going to be doing some fundraising and they are concerned about the higher gas prices.

OLHSA: Pauline Noce reported that they had a program about HIV and the services available to people with HIV. Jo reported that OLHSA will be meeting in Troy on May 20 and invited committee members to attend.

Oakland County Senior Advisory Board: Jo Rhoads reported that this committee is co-sponsoring the Oakland County Older Michiganian Rally on June 6 at the Oakland County Executive Offices in Pontiac.

Comments

Frank Shier would like to see the appropriate staff person at the meeting when there is discussion about traffic signs, etc.

Jo Rhoads commented that since the meeting is on TV, information gets to seniors who are homebound.

Carla reported that Troy will be observing National Senior Centers Month in September to raise awareness of the senior program and asked committee members to give her any suggestions they might have.

Jim Berar stated that the meetings are important for communication.

JoAnn Thompson agreed with Mr. Berar and also stated that the signs on the dining room tables about bocce and shuffleboard are good to get people talking. The Restaurant Club is going well.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bud Black, Chair

Carla Vaughan, Secretary