

## Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens was held on Thursday, March 3 2005 at the Troy Community Center. Chair JoAnn Thompson called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

**Present:** JoAnn Thompson, Chair  
David Ogg, Member  
Bud Black, Member  
Merrill Dixon, Member  
Carla Vaughan, Staff

Jo Rhoads, Member  
Pauline Noce, Member  
James Berar, Member  
Marie Hoag, Member

**Absent:** Bill Weisgerber, excused

**Visitors:** Mary Beth Halushka, Janet Jopke, Wendy Underwood, Art Gregory, Elaine Torvinen

### Approval of Minutes

Resolution # SC-2005-03-001  
Moved by Merrill Dixon  
Seconded by David Ogg

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of February 3, 2005 be approved as amended: Mr. Berar would like to see benches installed by the tees at the driving range. Jo Rhoads reported that Medi-Go gave over 13,000 rides last year.

Yes: 8  
No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

### Visitor Comments

Carla introduced Elaine Torvinen, the senior program coordinator. She is in charge of creative arts, sports, fitness, speakers, the flu shot clinic and the expo, and several other programs including emergency cell phones, the monthly movie, and bingo.

### Old Business

**Troy Senior Council Name Change:** JoAnn Thompson reported again that the City Attorney is willing to help them with the name change.

**Senior Centers in Neighboring Cities:** JoAnn Thompson reported that she had visited the Rochester Senior Center, and that it is very nice. Committee members plan on visiting other centers when the weather gets better.

**Shuffleboard:** The committee reviewed the letter that JoAnn Thompson wrote for submission to the Park Board regarding shuffleboard and bocce ball courts at the Community Center. The letter and signatures will be forwarded to the Park Board for their March meeting.

**Catering Service at the Community Center:** Kim Haveranek, President of Emerald Food Service, sent a letter to Committee members in lieu of attending the meeting (copy attached). Committee members agree that Emerald's banquets are good, but that is not the issue. They would still like to know what Emerald's profit is from non-profit groups for SNACKS only, contending that groups that meet at the Community Center on a weekly or monthly basis do not have the funds to hire a caterer for their snacks and therefore do not use a caterer for this purpose. The committee would like Kim to attend their April meeting so they can clarify their position. Carla will invite her to the meeting.

### **New Business**

**School Board Tax Renewal:** Janet Jopke discussed the upcoming millage renewal, stressing that it will not increase taxes. The election will be held on May 3.

**Aging in Place:** The Committee discussed the information that Dave Lambert forwarded to them at their last meeting about aging in place, which is the current trend in elder care.

**Troy Daze:** Marie Hoag reported that there will not be a Senior Sensation day on 2005 due to budget cuts.

**WTRY:** James Berar reported that he has trouble reading the printing on the City's cable TV station.

### **Reports**

**Park Board:** Merrill Dixon reported that the Park Board did not meet in February.

**Medi-Go:** Jo Rhoads reported that everything is going fine.

**Nutrition:** No report.

**Senior Program:** Carla reported that January sales at Creative Endeavors were up 111% over last year. We do have enough seniors to start a new golf league at Sanctuary Lake. Both TESA workshops are full. We are combining the craft show and garage sale into a flea market.

**OLHSA:** Jo Rhoads reported that they had a speaker from a medical supply company.

**Suggestion Box:** Carla reported that there were two suggestions – one about bringing a sack lunch into the lunchroom: This is okay with the Area Agency on Aging. Carla will check the catering contract. There was a request to add another party bridge group. Carla will check with group today to see if there is enough interest.

JoAnn reported that she had received a suggestion to have real silverware in the lunchroom.

There was also a suggestion that the newsletter be available for pick-up before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month since those who get it by mail and email get it sooner. Carla will make the newsletter available beginning the 27<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**Comments**

Jo Rhoads reported that room 302 was cold during the movie and during the PAL meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Thompson, Chair

Carla Vaughan, Secretary