

Minutes of Senior Services Commission
Meeting of September 6, 2023
Kallsen Conference Center

CALL To ORDER:

The Tinley Park Senior Services Commission meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m. by Chairman Bob Hayes. Chairman Bob Hayes welcomed new commissioner Estelle Campos.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Bob Hayes, Chairman
Present: Andy Ashmus
 Estelle Campos
 Celeste Figliulo
 Phyllis Groberski
 Marisa Harrison
 Vicki Hayes

Denise Maly-Politano, Commission Secretary
Roxane Tyssen, Senior Center Administrator

Mayor Michael Glotz
Village Clerk Nancy O'Connor
Trustee William Brady

Absent: Sam Avalos
 Theresa Flowers

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Chairman Bob Hayes declared the Agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by **Celeste Figliulo**, seconded by **Estele Campos**, to approve the August 2, 2023 minutes of the Senior Services Commission meeting.

REPORTS:

Senior Center Updates and Reports (Roxane Tyssen)

A. Financial Report:

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** provided an update. Stated it is still early in the fiscal year so the center is looking good. Still have an outstanding invoice with the July luncheon and the credit for an item that was never received.

September luncheon will be catered by Winstons – fried chicken, mashed potatoes, bread and butter.

B. Membership:

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** stated there are new people walking in every day.

Ageless Grace program brings in 20 or more people each week. Might have to cap and begin reservations as the program has grown in popularity. Mahjong has been really popular.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Alzheimer Walk and Fundraising

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** has been asking seniors for donations or if they have any interest in doing any fundraising to donate on behalf of the Senior Commission. Have collected \$50.00 in donations to date at the Senior Center. We are looking for walkers.

Marisa Harrison spoke about the Dementia/Alzheimer walk September 23rd. Looking for teams to walk so Tinley can be certified as a Dementia friendly community. Check in is 8:30 a.m. and the walk starts at 9:30 at the 80th Avenue train station.

2) Adding Pathlights Initiatives to Village Website

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** would like a link added to the website for Pathlights. They provide services to Orland and Palos Township residents. You can call and received advice over the phone. They cannot come to the house if you live in Bremen Township as Pathlights only covers Orland and Palos Township. It will greatly benefit our senior community if we provide a link to bring them to their information directly. The services they provide are very useful to our senior community. They also will have a dementia friendly café. The library is also opening a memory café soon.

Chairman Bob Hayes asked if there is a downside to adding Pathlights to the village website?

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** stated that it is not normally done but if we can add it, it would be a great link for the senior community.

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** also stated the barbeque was a huge success and the members seemed to like the idea. Would like to make it a yearly event. Suggested using a second grill so the food service could be faster.

Trustee Brady said everyone loved the lemonade and we should serve that again.

Mayor Glotz stated we can grill inside the fire house if there is inclement weather.

3) **Oktoberfest, October 11, 2023 – St. Stephen's**

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** has public works setting up tables the day before. They will also bring coolers with ice and water. We will meet that day at 10/10:30 to set up the room.

Celeste Figliulo suggested more tables for registration.

Mayor Glotz suggested a maximum of 175 for this year. Suggested the commission set a number and then the extras can be from the church list. If this poses a problem again this year, then next year find a different location. Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** stated last year we were going to have 150 max with 125 for our senior group and 25 for the church group. This year's church list has over 200 people which includes a lot of people who are not Tinley Park residents.

Vicki Hayes made a motion, seconded by **Celeste Figliulo** to have a cap with a maximum of 140 members and 35 nonmembers. All present in agreement.

Mayor Glotz arranged with Culvers to give us ice cream and coupons. Culvers likes coming out to the event and serving. Numerous gift cards will be distributed throughout the event, coupons to restaurants, \$5.00 coupon to Dunkin Donuts, gift cards to Plush Horse, Culvers, car wash and McDonalds. All attendees will receive an envelope with everything.

Trustee Brady secured the entertainment. This year will be a ventriloquist. He will need a riser the day of.

[Discussion continues on items needed for event, set-up, clean-up, donations, etc.]

OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS:

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** inquired about possibility of purchasing a color printer for the Senior Center.

Motion made by **Vicki Hayes**, seconded by **Celeste Figliulo**, to explore the color printer option for the Senior Center.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** asked everyone to keep in mind the Illinois Department of Aging Senior Hall of Fame in January 2024. Applications for nominations would be due December/January to select a senior who goes above and beyond helping and someone that is very involved in community service.

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** proposed having a breakfast for the public works department as a thank you for all that they do to help the Senior Center.

Motion made by **Celeste Figliulo**, seconded by **Estelle Campos**, to host a breakfast for public works. All in favor.

Mayor Glotz spoke with some seniors who asked 1)why the seniors cannot get into the Senior Center before the lunch starts? 2)Why is the commission meeting at the village hall and not at the Senior Center? And 3) is there a reason why the food is ordered from the same place each month?

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** spoke about why seniors cannot get in before lunch starts (still setting up room). She does allow in those with walkers. If we open the doors earlier, she will have to be at her desk the entire time for check in and collecting payment. As for the luncheons and ordering mainly from Winston's, no one can beat his price. The quality of food, and the price. Winston's does not charge a delivery fee, has great prices, and the food is always consistently good.

Commission Secretary Denise Maly-Politano explained the rules about having meetings at village hall vs. other locations under Roberts Rules and the Open Meeting Act.

Receive Comments from the Public

No public.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by **Vicki Hayes**, seconded by **Estelle Campos**, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 4:14 pm.

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