

NORTHVILLE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2015
Northville Community Center

1. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Mittman at 1:00 p.m.

- 2. Roll Call:** Dick Brown (excused), Lesa Buckland, Sam Ekong, Richard Henningsen, Mindy Herrmann, Bob Lipmyer, Jim Mazurek (absent), Jerry Mittman, Andrea Murdock
Staff Members: Suzie Johnson, Jason Spiller
Guests: None

3. Announcements and Citizens Comments - None

4. Adoption of the Agenda

- Moved by Herrmann and seconded by Lipmyer to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

5. Approval of Minutes

- Moved by Lipmyer and seconded by Herrmann to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 17. Motion passed.

6. Monthly Reports

A. Participation Report

- Overall participation in activities continues to exceed the prior year to date.
- Elder Law continues to be very popular.
- Additional fitness classes have been added. Health and Wellness participation is up 16.5% YTD.
- Bingo is up 66.3% YTD. Transportation is doing well with a number of new riders.
- Staff will continue to encourage participation by residents of Allen Terrace.
- The “Legends” show was very successful (110 attendees) and highly entertaining.

B. Upcoming Events

- A number of upcoming activities are already sold out.
- Registration for the two-day AARP Driving Class is up significantly from past programs.
- Volunteers will be needed for the Thanksgiving Luncheon (11/18) and the Holiday Luncheon (12/9).

7. Old Business - None

8. New Business

A. Building Improvements

- The rear entrance steps have been removed due to surface cracks which could not be repaired. New steps should be in place in about two weeks.
- The sound system in the Community Center is to be replaced. This is extremely important for the Handcrafters Show (a major renter of the facility).

B. Donation Fund for Building Enhancements

- Senior Services and Parks and Recreation staff have reviewed the Community Center facilities and equipment and have identified a list of desirable improvements. The facility is over 11 years old and some of the furnishings are starting to show wear and tear.

- Staff proposed hiring a commercial interior designer to work with them to ensure projects are in line with the design of the building. Items to be considered for replacement include carpeting, tables, fabric chairs and metal chairs. As in the past, donation funds would be considered for use to enhance the quality and/or appearance of the items above a commercial grade level. It is important to have a quality and good looking facility for senior activities and for rental purposes. Furniture and carpet replacement is in the FY2016-2017 budget. Staff is targeting to go out for bids by July 1, 2016.
- Commission members were in general agreement with the proposal.

9. Reports

A. City Liaison Report – Sam Ekong

- The recent Rib Fest event held at Ford Field was very successful. Plans are to hold it in June next year.
- A voter forum with Northville city council and mayoral candidates was held on Monday. It was extremely well attended.

B. Township Liaison Report – Mindy Herrmann

- Regular Township trustee meeting is tonight.

C. School Board Liaison Report – None

D. Chairperson and Commission Member Comments - None

10 Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held at 1 PM on November 19, 2015.

11. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Submitted by Jerry Mittman