

City of Wixom Senior Citizen Commission Meeting 49015 Pontiac Trail December 12, 2022

Chairperson Korleski called the meeting of the Senior Citizen Commission to order at 11:00 am with the following individuals in attendance:

Commission: Jean Korleski, Anna Contreras, Joan Roberts, George Carty and Mary Grant

Absent: Judy Celinski

Staff: Steve Brown (City Manager) and Melisa Burnham (Senior Coordinator)

Public: None

Determination of Quorum:

A quorum of the Senior Citizen Commission was present for this meeting.

Changes or additions to the Agenda

Chairperson Korleski stated there were no changes or additions to the agenda.

Approval of the October 10, 2022 Senior Commission Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Korleski motioned for the October 10, 2022 meeting minutes to be approved. Vice-Chairperson Anna Contreras was first to approve the minutes and Joan Roberts was the second to approve the meeting minutes.

Correspondence:

There was no correspondence to be reviewed.

Call to Public:

No public present

Unfinished Business:

Chairperson Korleski stated that there was discussion regarding purchasing a game, Mexican Train with numbers. Chairperson Korleski made a motion to purchase the game and Vice Chairperson Anna Contreras was first to agree to the motion and Mary Grant was second. A set of 15 Mexican Train will be purchased for the Senior Center.

Chairperson Korleski asked Senior Coordinator Melisa Burnham to find the memorial plaque so The names of the senior members that have passed can be added to the plaque. Chairperson Korleski will pick it up and have the names engraved. It was decided that the Senior Coordinator

will send an email out to members asking for any additional names that need to be added to the memorial plaque.

New Business:

Chairperson Korleski went over the 2023 dates for the Senior Citizen Commission meetings. Chairperson Korleski made a motion to accept the dates and Vice Chairperson Contreras seconded the motion. Meeting times for 2023 will be at 11 am on March 13, June 12, September 11, and December 11.

Senior Coordinator, Melisa Burnham stated the Senior Center calendars for December and January are completed and she is currently finalizing the February and March calendars.

The Senior Coordinator went over the current numbers for the Senior Center membership. As of right now the Senior Center has a membership of 146 people. The Senior Coordinator said she is working on increasing membership with marketing and other ideas.

Senior fitness is averaging 30 participants per class. Ms. Burnham said that the Zumba Gold class might need to be tweaked to increase the numbers. She is looking at possibly changing the time, date or possibly the instructor. George Carty asked if she had asked for feedback from the members attending the class. Mr. Burnham said that she isn't sure if the Zumba Gold ever had more participants. The Line Dance class is averaging 12 participants per class.

Ms. Burnham continued to give current numbers on the Enrichment classes. The Anyone Can Paint class is now in the green. She said word is getting out and more members are participating. Ask the Advisor in November had 19 members attend the class.

Blakes Orchard trip was well attended but the participants there felt they should try a different orchard for next fall's trip. Ms. Burnham said she will do some research on other orchards. Mary Grant said Spicer's Orchard is a bit far out but very nice.

Ms. Burnham said the health classes offered by the MSU extension gained popularity as they went forward. The classes discussed nutrition, how to read labels and other topics. Some of the classes will be brought back in the spring. Miller Vein and Food Safety will be back and food safety will deal with the topic of strawberries.

The Senior Coordinator discussed the attendance for the events and parties in October and November. Tuesday Trivia and Krafts with Kari were well attended with 14 participants for each. The Halloween party had bingo and a chili bar. 38 members attended that party. One of the members suggested a Bunco party and it turned out to be great event with 30 members attending. They will do Bunco again but use a bigger space. The Veterans luncheon was very nice and the 10 Veterans that attended the luncheon were given a quilt by a non- profit in Milford. Pictures from the event were put on the city website and Facebook. Ms. Burnham said she is trying to introduce more pop-up events, she did an ornament making pop up with a hot chocolate bar and a Let's Decorate pop up event, there was also one the day after the Blakes

Orchard trip with cider and donuts. The pop-up events are only known to members of the Senior Center, this is an incentive for seniors to join the center. She will be offering a pop-up event in December called Wrap it up. Members will be able to come in and wrap gifts they have purchased.

The Senior Coordinator mentioned that some of the events coming in January will be lunch bunch, 3 ways to stop a stroke, DIA trip, New Year's party that will include bingo, the Veterans lunch, a presentation called What it's Worth that will go over items' seniors might have that could be valuable. They will be attending Caesar's in Windsor and the Wixom police department will offer a program on Scams.

Chairperson Jean Korleski discussed the Senior Activities Fund. Since there are available funds, she mentioned that maybe the cost of an upcoming party s could be defrayed by a few dollars. There was discussion about waiting till the snowbirds return and possibly doing it for the Easter party or possibly the summer party. She asked everyone to think about it and it will be discussed at the March meeting.

Second Call to Public:

No public present

Staff Comments:

No comments made

Commission Comments:

No comments made

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Chairperson Korleski. Vice-Chair Contreras approved the motion and Commission member Mary Grant seconded the motion. The meeting of the Senior Citizen Commission was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.