

City of Wixom
Senior Citizen Commission Meeting
49015 Pontiac Trail
June 17, 2024

Chairperson Korleski called the meeting of the Senior Citizen Commission to order at 11:05 am with the following individuals in attendance:

Commission: Jean Korleski, Anna Contreras, George Carty, Judy Celinske, Kathleen McLaurin, and Mary Grant

Absent: Joan Roberts (excused)

Staff: Melisa Burnham, Senior Coordinator
Steve Brown, City Manager

Public

Doris Dubilzig

Determination of Quorum:

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

Changes or additions to the Agenda

No changes or additions to the agenda.

Approval of the March 18, 2024 Senior Commission Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Korleski motioned for the March 18, 2024 meeting minutes to be approved. Commission member Judy Celinske was first to approve the minutes and Commission member Mary Grant was the second to approve the meeting minutes.

Correspondence:

There was no correspondence to be reviewed.

Call to Public:

Doris Dubilzig said hello to the board and staff members.

Tabled Motions:

No tabled motions for this meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Judy Celinske asked City Manager, Steve Brown how the signage was coming along. Mr. Brown replied that the signage study is moving along. A presentation will be made soon to the subcommittee and then the study will be presented to the City Council board. He said the signage package will be coming soon. Senior Coordinator, Melisa Burnham said new signage will really help the new senior citizens and vendors find the senior center.

New Business

Chairperson Jean Korleski shared a thank you letter from the Veterans for the donations they received from the senior center. Senior Coordinator, Melisa Burnham said they will do this again for the Veterans but not

right now. She will look into the fall season. She said people are dropping off too much and there is no storage for all the donations.

1. Commissioners

The board is waiting on a resignation letter from Joan Roberts and then she can be replaced on the board. Doris Dubilzig submitted an application to the City Clerk's office to join the Senior Commission. Senior Coordinator, Melisa Burnham stated that Doris is in charge of the puzzle table, she participates in about 90% of the activities and is extremely active. Doris stated that she believes the senior center was a marvelous invention.

The board appointments are as follows:

Member	Position	Term Expires
Jean Korleski	Chairperson	6/30/2027
Anna Contreras	Vice Chair	6/30/2026
George Carty		6/30/2026
Joan Roberts		6/30/2025
Judith Celinske		6/30/2027
Mary Grant		6/30/2025
Kathleen McLaurin		6/30/2025

Judy Celinske asked why the board can't allow non-resident, active members be on the board. Chairperson, Jean Korleski, said that was a good question. There was discussion among the members and a motion were made to incorporate non-resident members to be on the board, not more than two non-resident members would be allowed to serve on the board. Judy Celinske was first to approve the motion and Mary Grant was second to approve. It was a unanimous vote to move forward. The Senior Coordinator will send a memo to City Manager, Steve Brown regarding the information so it can be presented to the Wixom City Council.

2. Update on Sweet Summer Party

There are currently 63 seniors registered for the Sweet Summer Party. The registration deadline is on June 20, 2024. The registered members have been given a \$5 deferment on the price of the party. There will be a 50/50 raffle and it will begin at noon. The senior coordinator asked that she be given a 24-hour notice about the raffle. Vice Chairperson, Anna Contreras will be in charge of the 50/50 raffle table. There was discussion about saving seats for the board members. Melisa said that she will make sure they have seats, but there can be no saving chairs.

3. Senior Coordinator Review

Melisa Burnham stated the Senior Center has 225 members as of May 31, 2024. There will be additional members added soon. These numbers exceed the 2018/2019 membership totals.

Melisa has been planning 2 to 3 trips monthly and she stated that the bus trips seem to be more popular. Judy Celinske asked about the number of tickets they will receive for the Michigan State Fair. Melisa contacted the ticket office and has received 75 tickets, 15 more than last year. Judy thanked Melisa for being proactive.

Chair Volleyball has become very popular. The Wixom Senior Center held a tournament and 49 seniors participated in the tournament. Melisa noted many of the Seniors present showed interest in the other activities offered and they took available flyers.

Melisa went over the numbers for the different trips, health programs and events. She stated the equipment loan program is a nice program and you do not have to be a senior to use items from the rental closet. She also pointed out all the giving back the seniors do for our community. In March and April, they donated a total of 227 pounds of food to the Hospitality House. Melisa indicated she could use some volunteers to drop the food donations off to the Hospitality House. The Senior Coordinator has also been sharing Community Events the seniors might be interested in.

4. Wixom Senior Activities Fund

Chairperson, Jean Korleski, shared that the balance of the activities fund as \$2371.63. Jean asked the board members if they could think of anything the center needs right now.

The Senior Coordinator said she has 2 tabs for the memory plaque. Jean Korleski said she will check with Joey about where to get more plaques, so they match the current one. Money from the fund will be used to purchase the plaques.

The parties coming up are as follows:

Some type of theme party	September 12, 2024
Halloween party	October 24, 2024
Thanksgiving party	November 14, 2024
Christmas party	December 12, 2024

There was discussion about deferring \$5 for the Thanksgiving party. Mary Grant was first to motion for approval and Anna Contreras was second. It was a unanimous vote to defer the party cost by \$5 for members.

Second Call to Public:

Doris Dubilzig, no comment

Staff Comments:

No staff comments

Commission Comments:

No commission comments

Adjournment:

The meeting of the Senior Citizen Commission was adjourned by Chairperson, Jean Korleski at 11:58 am.