

**MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Wednesday, September 10, 2014**  
**Elmhurst Public Library**  
**ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION**

COMMISSIONERS (PHYSICALLY) PRESENT: Georgia Dolan, Heide Forbush, Jackie Haddad, Grayson Haller, Kris Hansen, Cathy Jordan, Peggy LoCicero, Kathy Lorenz, Ruth Maple, Emily Moran, Kristin Sanderson, Amy Srail, Maureen Wood, Carol Yesko

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Monica Barichello, Chris White

PRESENT: Angela Bentsen (M.F.S.), Helen Fitzpatrick (M.F.S.), Ralph King (D.S.C.C.)

1. The meeting was called to order by Cathy Jordan at 1:05 P.M.

2. MSC Kris moved that the minutes of the June 11, 2014 meeting be approved as presented.

3. Skyler Larrimore has received a grant from ComEd and could speak about the smart grid and housing efficiencies. Wednesday, October 15 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Carousel Flowers there is a Book and Wine Party sponsored by BrightStar, Park Place and Elderworks.

Cathy stated that presentation from M.F.S. and D.S.C.C. will occur at the October meeting for budget recommendations to the City of Elmhurst.

Cathy will investigate what information is on the City of Elmhurst website about Senior Commission commissioners—hopefully not phone numbers—and report back. She will also pursue a police liaison to the Commission.

4. **DuPage Senior Citizens Council**—written report provided. Ralph reported that they have moved to a new location. Month of August: Meals – 1090; Well-Being Checks – 670; Home maintenance & Chore Days Service – 1; Seniors Served – 80.

5. **Metropolitan Family Services**—Angela reported that as of September 2 they would be in the office from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. every Tuesday to service walk-ins and phone calls.

**6. Committee Reports:**

**a. Education Committee**—Jackie reported that the October 4th Community Conversation will feature Byron Spencer who will speak on *The Healthcare Realities of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act*. The November 8th Community Conversation will be *Planning the Future* with Carol Raso, Community Resource Coordinator for Elderworks. There will be no new Pocket Pals for this year as there are still approximately 2000 available.

**b. Housing**—Kris said that a Housing and Transportation event is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. – Noon on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at Wilder Mansion. Some of the presenters will represent the Illinois Secretary of State’s office, Lexington Square, Concorde Place, Park Place, Senior Home Sharing and the City of Elmhurst—with Erin taking photos for transportation options. This event will be free to the community. Resources will be provided, but no giveaways.

**c. Transportation**—Ruth said the committee has been working with Kris on the April 22 event, as well as continuing to look into Ride DuPage options and taxi cab services.

**d. Collaboration**—Kristin reported that this will be a directory year for the committee.

## 7. Other Business

- Jackie, Kris and Cathy met with Edward / Elmhurst Hospital CEO Mary Lou Mastro to discuss the possible use of an area in the new hospital as a senior resource facility.
- The Senior Commission Goals for 2014/2015, Vision Statement and individual committee goals were reviewed this summer and final copies were distributed.
- **THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2014 AT THE ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY.**

8. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Heide Forbush, Secretary