

**MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Wednesday, November 9, 2016**  
**Elmhurst Public Library**  
**ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION**

COMMISSIONERS (PHYSICALLY) PRESENT: Georgia Dolan, Heide Forbush, Kris Hansen, Cathy Jordan, Peggy LoCicero, Kathy Lorenz, Terri Mosley, Kristin Sanderson, Amy Srail, Maureen Wood, Carol Yesko

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Monica Barichello, Jackie Haddad, Grayson Haller, Ruth Maple, Pam Morrissey, Chris White

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

1. Chairman Cathy Jordan called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.
2. **Public Comments**—There were no public comments.
3. **MSC** Kris moved that the minutes of the October 12, 2016 meeting be approved as presented.
4. Cathy read a thank you note from Cleo Tengroth, recipient of the Outstanding Senior Award. Cassandra will put pictures of the award ceremony in the Front Porch. In line with the city's fiscal year, at the December meeting we will vote to recommend that the city support M.F.S. and D.S.C.C.
5. **DuPage Senior Citizens Council**—written report provided. Ralph reported—Elmhurst totals 10/1/16-10/31/16: Meals served—777; Seniors—70; Well Being Checks—555; Home maintenance/Chore Days—3. Elmhurst totals 1/1/16-10/31/16: Meals—6,353; Seniors—154; Home maintenance—50; Well-being checks—4,480.
6. **Metropolitan Family Services**—written report provided. Helen reported that for October 2016 there are 17 open case files; 9 walk-ins; 21 information and referral phone calls; 22 Community Development/Outreach with a total of 69 persons. She said that traffic to the Elmhurst office has increased and the Caregiver Series at the library was very successful.

Kristin said that the library now has a “Caregiver’s Corner” which includes word games and activities for dementia sufferers. Per Carol, email addresses from local churches can be used by Helen to disseminate information.

The agenda needs to reflect Helen instead of Angela as M.F.S. representative.

**7. Committee Reports:**

- a. **Transportation**— Cathy said that Ruth spoke with PACE who said it has no plans to expand into the EEH property. PACE may evaluate in a couple years.

b. **Collaboration**—Kristin discussed potential Collaboration Conference topics—a representative from DuPage County, a rep from the Illinois Department on Aging—Legislative Updates, and a program on the signs and symptoms of dementia. They are leaning toward a DuPage County speaker.

c. **Education**—Cathy reported that there is a Community Conversation on November 12. Approximately 50 have signed up to date. The focus will be the importance of a senior center in a community. The program will appear on cable.

d. **Housing**—Kris announced that four aldermen as well as the mayor attended the housing tour on October 22—Concord Place in Northlake where they saw the first floor for veterans and Lexington Square Elmhurst where they saw recent renovations. Forty-five minutes was spent at each location.

Cathy thanked Kris for setting up the tour. Pam helped Kris that day also.

**8. Other Business—**

a. Elmhurst Extended Care—There are currently eighteen Elmhurst residents at EEC. Cathy would like to include in the letter from the Commission a suggestion that an advisory committee/liaison group be created with the surrounding community so that there is an avenue for continued dialogue.

b. Park District Strategic Planning—Cathy attended one session and Kris and Carol attended another.

c. Cathy will make sure that DVD copies of the November Community Conversation will be distributed to the mayor and aldermen.

d. Cathy announced that our next meeting will be a Holiday Luncheon at Park Place. There will be a brief business meeting as two votes must be taken for the support of M.F.S. and D.S.C.C. She will invite the city employees who are so helpful to us.

**9. Adjournment**—There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 12:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2016**

**AT**

**PARK PLACE OF ELMHURST**

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Heide Forbush, Secretary