

MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, February 10, 2016
Elmhurst Public Library
ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS (PHYSICALLY) PRESENT: Monica Barichello, Heide Forbush, Grayson Haller, Kris Hansen, Peggy LoCicero, Kathy Lorenz, Ruth Maple, Pam Morrissey, Terri Mosley, Kristin Sanderson, Amy Srail, Carol Yesko

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Georgia Dolan, Jackie Haddad, Cathy Jordan, Chris White, Maureen Wood

PRESENT: Angela Bentsen (M.F.S.), Betsy D’Onofrio

1. Due to the illness of Chairman Cathy Jordan, the meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Heide Forbush. A quorum was established.
2. MSC Terri moved that the minutes of the November 11, 2015 meeting be approved as printed.
MSC Peggy moved that the minutes of the December 9, 2015 meeting be approved as printed.
3. Public Comments--There were no public comments.
4. Betsy D’Onofrio was introduced to the commission. She has been in the mortgage business and is now in business development. She will be one of the presenters at the April 9th Community Conversation.
5. DuPage Senior Citizens Council – In the absence of Ralph there was no report.
6. Metropolitan Family Services – written report provided.

Angela reported that Helen is training the Elmhurst Fire Department in Mental Health First Aid (MHFA). Others to be trained include the police department and some city workers. Kristin said that the library is also a facility where issues occur and that training library personnel should be considered. Angela’s written report addressed concerns about staffing, office hours—Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., and how emergencies are handled. Calls to the Elmhurst office when no one is available are routed to Wheaton. There are notes on the office door with hours and phone numbers to call in case of emergency. All calls are returned within 24 hours. Additional office hours will be added on Thursday’s beginning mid March. When they are not in the office they are meeting with clients in their homes. All M.F.S. information is available on line.

7. Committee Reports:

- a. Transportation –Ruth reported that in a conversation Alderman Bram has expressed his support of Ride DuPage. Heide said that Cathy spoke with Alderman Leader who will make sure that transportation is on the city council agenda.

b. Collaboration— Kristin reported that the Collaboration Conference is scheduled for Thursday, May 5; save-the-date postcards have been sent; emails will be going out soon. Park Place will provide sweet rolls and Lexington Square will supply bagels. A fruit platter and juices are still needed. A sign up sheet will be available at the April meeting for day-of-the-event volunteers.

c. Education— Kathy reported that the Community Conversation is scheduled for Saturday, April 9. An article which has appeared in the newspaper promoting the event was distributed. The topic is scams and fraud. Betsy said she will have another presenter with her. The Elmhurst Police Department will also have a representative.

d. Housing—Kris had no report.

8. **Other Business**—Heide said that Cathy made a presentation to the Park District. A newspaper article was distributed. Cathy also received a letter from five District 205 teachers who are interested in the senior center and who have offered their assistance.

Adjournment—There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

- **THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016**

AT THE ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY

Heide Forbush, Secretary