

MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Elmhurst Public Library

ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS (PHYSICALLY) PRESENT: Monica Barichello, Georgia Dolan, Jackie Haddad, Kris Hansen, Cathy Jordan, Peggy LoCicero, Ruth Maple, Pam Morrissey, Terri Mosley, Kristin Sanderson, Amy Srail, Chris White, Maureen Wood, Carol Yesko

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Heide Forbush, Grayson Haller, Kathy Lorenz, Terri Mosley

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

GUEST: Joel Morris, former Superintendent of Elmhurst School District 205, Mary Kies from the Elmhurst Park District Board .

1. **Call to Order**—Chairman Cathy Jordan called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.
2. **Public Comments**—There were no public comments.
3. **MSC** Georgia moved that the minutes of the February 8, 2017 meeting be approved as presented.
4. **Announcements / Correspondence**—Cathy announced that 6 commissioners were up for reassignment, Monica, Jackie, Kris, Pam, Amy and Cathy and that she had applications available for those commissioners wishing to continue on the board.

5. Mary Kies, Elmhurst Park District Board Commissioner spoke about the strategic planning the Park District does every 3-5 years. She said the Park District is currently compiling information from community workshops, surveys from the business community and partnerships, and school districts regarding future needs but stated that a plan is not yet together. Some of the info collected says that all ages want more indoor recreation and facilities and that more open space is wanted for outdoor opportunities. When asked about a senior center she stated that the need has appeared on surveys and will be considered.
6. **DuPage Senior Citizens Council**—written report provided. Ralph reported—Elmhurst totals February 1 to March 31, 2017: Meals served—2574; Seniors—96; Well Being Checks—1757; Home Maintenance/Chore Days—4.

7. **Metropolitan Family Services**—written report provided. Helen reported that for February and March 2017 there are 16 open case files; 7 walk-ins; 23 information and referral phone calls; 5 Community Education/Outreach with a total of 51 persons.

8. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Transportation**—Ride DuPage has a flat fee plus per mile. Working on this program for Elmhurst residents—ongoing.

 - b. **Collaboration**—Kristin said the collaboration event is Thursday, May 4 at the Elmhurst Public Library and that she has received 23 registrations so far. She distributed posters for the Senior Prom to be held Sunday, 5/7 at York High School.

 - c. **Education**—Jackie reported that 35 people attended the Community Conversation on 4/8. The next Community Conversation is scheduled for Saturday, October 14, 10:00 a.m. at Elmhurst City Hall. Committee will meet this summer to determine future topics for Community Conversation Events.

 - c. **Housing**—Kris announced that the Community Conversation on 10/14 will focus on resources for seniors who want to remain safely in their homes. Some resources for this event could include information on hoarding, home health services and info from Helen at Metropolitan Services. Ralph might also provide resources from his list. More information to follow.

9. **Other Business**—
 - a. Outstanding Senior Award, Jackie, Maureen and Cathy volunteered to be on this committee.

10. **Adjournment**—There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, May 10, 2017

AT

THE ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY