

**MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Wednesday, October 10, 2018**  
**Elmhurst Public Library**  
**ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION**

COMMISSIONERS (PHYSICALLY) PRESENT: Georgia Dolan, Heide Forbush, Grayson Haller, Kris Hansen, Cathy Jordan, Peggy LoCicero, Kathy Lorenz, Pam Morrissey, Amy Srail, Maureen Wood

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Monica Barichello, Jackie Haddad, Ruth Maple, Joel Morris, Kristin Sanderson, Chris White, Carol Yesko

GUEST(S): Ben Utterback and Betty, Willow Crossing Senior Living; Loren Buford, Program Supervisor and Cara Siebert, Program Manager for Metropolitan Family Services; Ylandus Rounly, Director of Community Relations, Artis Senior Living, Elmhurst

1. **Call to Order**—Chairman Cathy Jordan called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.
2. **Public Comments**—There were no public comments.
3. **Guest Speaker**—Ben Utterback (and Betty) from Willow Crossing Senior Living, private pay, for profit senior residential care home sharing facility in Addison, near Lake Street and Rt. 83. Up to six (6) residents can be accommodated with three meals provided daily and 24-hour on-site care giver. Respite care and long-term care are offered also. There are two residents per room and only non-medical care is offered. They have been open only a few months. The approximate cost per day is \$150. There is no memory care, but some monitoring systems are in place for wanderers. Same blanket classification as assisted living.
4. **MSC** Kris moved that the minutes of the August 8, 2018 meeting be approved as presented.
5. **Announcements / Correspondence**—Cathy reported:
  - a. November 8 is the presentation of the Elmhurst Outstanding Senior Citizens Service Award at City Hall. Thirteen participants will receive awards.
  - b. Ride DuPage is off to a good start. Tom Trosien will be the presenter at the rescheduled Community Conversation in January.
  - c. At the November meeting there will be presentations from DuPage Senior Citizens Council and Metropolitan Family Services. Based on those reports the commission can recommend that the City of Elmhurst continue its financial support of those agencies.

- d. Cathy is the 2018 recipient of the Jaycees Distinguished Service award and is very humbled by it.
6. **DuPage Senior Citizens Council**—written report provided. Ralph added that additional funding was received so two meals can be provided for a while. Also, everyone got a box of shelf stable/emergency meals consisting of soup, crackers and snacks which will be distributed again in December.
- a. *Elmhurst totals June 1, 2018 – June 30, 2018*—Meals 989, Home Maintenance and Chore Days 4, Well-being Checks 579, Seniors 55
  - b. *Elmhurst totals July 1, 2018 – July 31, 2018*— Meals 956, Home Maintenance and Chore Days 0, Well-being Checks 530, Seniors 62
  - c. *Elmhurst totals August 1, 2018 – August 31, 2018*— Meals 1,058, Home Maintenance and Chore Days 1, Well-being Checks 602, Seniors 59
  - d. *Elmhurst totals September 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018*— Meals 1,155, Home Maintenance and Chore Days 9, Well-being Checks 583, Seniors 76
  - e. *Elmhurst totals January 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018*— Meals 7,737, Home Maintenance and Chore Days 30, Well-being Checks 5,147, Seniors 153
7. **Metropolitan Family Services**—Carol Crews, the new MFS representative was not in attendance. Loren said Carol is working with Adult Protective Services, as well as the Fire and Police departments, due to the increase in hoarding cases. Loren provided three reports:
- a. *July 2018*—Elmhurst Residents with open case files 5, Walk-ins 2, Information and referrals 7, Persons/Total 14; Life Transition Group 2 meetings, 5 at each meeting; S.A.L.T. meeting 16
  - b. *August 2018*—Elmhurst Residents with open case files 5, Walk-ins 1, Information and referrals 12, Persons/Total 18; Life Transition Group 2 meetings, 5 at each meeting; Agency on Aging Expo at Drury Lane 50+
  - c. *September 2018*—Elmhurst Residents with open case files 7, Walk-ins 2, Information and referrals 9, Persons/Total 18; Life Transition Group 2 meetings, 5 at each meeting; S.A.L.T. meeting 16
8. **Committee Reports:**
- a. **Transportation**—Ride DuPage has started.
  - b. **Collaboration**—no report
  - c. **Education**—The Community Conversation has been scheduled for January 12, 2019.

d. **Housing**—Kris is still working on an open house at the MFS office at City Hall with a DSCC representative also on hand. No date has been set.

9. **Other Business**—

a. Ylandus said that Artis, which opened in January, has 28 residents now with the capacity for 72. Everyone thanked her for the treats.

10. **Adjournment**—There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1:00 P.M.,**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018**

**AT**

**THE ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Heide Forbush, Secretary