

Minnetonka Senior Citizens
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2021

Present: Carol Seiler, Heidi Weinberg, Jim Tift, Judi Hansen, Lisa Lee, Nancy Sullivan, Pat Baker, Richard King, Sandy Blackman, Tom Scott

Excused: none

Not Excused: Bob Gilbertson, Setara Barukzoy

Staff: Kaylee Coonan

Started the In Person meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the August 10th meeting were approved after the following addition to bullet #2 of old business, proposed by Tom Scott:

“Update on the Minnetonka Senior Services Scholarship Fund was distributed and reviewed. Motion/Second/Passed for the Senior Advisory Board to release a \$500 contribution from the Minnetonka Senior Services Scholarship Fund to the Richard Wilson Scholarship Fund for Children.”

President’s Report:

- No new issues to report.

Staff Report:

- Kaylee Coonan filled in for Steve Pieh today.
- The bench for Jean McSwiggen’s remembrance was dedicated on September 3rd. Her family was present for the dedication.
- City Manager Geralyn Barone’s retired on August 9th. Mike Funk is now the acting City Manager.
- Estimate for the new coffee station is \$4,100. Steve will provide details at the next meeting.
- The Italian Monthly Party will be on Sept 17. 72 people signed up. This is the first time for some in-person meals, and also some take home meals. The dining room will be set up with 9 tables, with seating 4 people per table.

Old Business:

- Dick King reported that the Memory Café and Dementia Friends classes are going very well. Due to COVID19, the center is allowing a max of 8 couples/session. There is one session per day on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Bonnie Sussman is the greeter, and trained volunteers are needed for each dementia participant during the activity time.
- Mask Policy Update: Masks are now “recommended” instead of “required” for the public inside the center. Employees are still required to wear Masks, except when alone in their office.

New Business:

- Book and Pie Sale will be Oct 26th, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop off books for the Book Sale will be Oct 22nd & 25th, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. This year we are asking the donors to organize their books by category. Volunteers need to sign up in the book.
- Minnetonka City Free Open House will be Oct 5th, 5 -8 p.m. followed by fireworks. The new police and fire facilities will be open, but this year, there won't be any display/activities in/at the community center.
- Dates for the Winter Farmer's Markets will be: Nov. 13th, Dec. 4th, Jan. 8th, Feb. 12th and March 12th.
- Thank you to Kaylee Coonan for filling in for Steve Pieh this month.

Committee Reports:

- **Sunshine:**
 - Judi sent 4 cards in August.
 - If you know anyone who needs a card, send message to Judi
- **Volunteers:**
 - Volunteer committee: Judi, Carol, Sandy, Fran Dranginis
 - Volunteer Sign up book is at registration desk.
- **Dates to Remember:**
 - Farmer's Market, 3-7 p.m. (Tuesdays until 9/28)
 - Sep 17 – Monthly Party (Italian) noon
 - Sep 21 – Music in the Park, 6 p.m.
 - Sep 28 – Lunch and Movie, 10:30 a.m.
 - Sep 29 – Adopt A Highway, 1 p.m.
 - Oct 5 – Minnetonka City Open House and Fireworks. 5-8 p.m.
 - Oct 26 - Book Sale with Pie & Sloppy Joes, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Sullivan, Secretary