MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON AREA COMMISSION ON AGING
MARCH 26, 2019
CITY OF FARMINGTON OFFICES
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FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON LAURA CHAMPAGNE AT 5:31PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: MARY BUCHAN, LAURA CHAMPAGNE, CARL CHRISTOPH, CHUCK COLLINS, NANCY COOK, DAN FANTORE, JANE FROST, LINDA LEE, KATHERINE MARSHALL, MARIAN SCHULTE, KARINA WEGLARZ

MEMBERS ABSENT: COLLEEN IRWIN, JULIE MCCOWAN

OTHERS PRESENT: MARSHA KOET, SENIOR DIVISION LIAISON

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
• Motion by J. Frost to approve as written.
• Support by N. Cook
• Motion carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES:
• Motion by J. Frost to approve as corrected
J. Frost requested that she be removed as mistress of ceremonies for the Volunteer Breakfast and that N. Cook be removed as a presenter.
• Support by Linda Lee.
• Motion to support as corrected passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Communications, Promotions, Website:
• M. Schulte will head this subcommittee. C. Collins will remain as photographer.
• J. Frost repeated D. Fantore’s request for statistical information on the website.

Education:
• K. Weglarz will head this subcommittee.
• Members are K. Weglarz, K. Marshall, C. Irwin and M. Schulte
• Autumn program for caregivers will be held on October 15, 2019 from 7pm until 9pm. Notice will be in fall activities brochure. PSA will appear in August.
• City cable department is re-running the COA presentation on the drug crisis in our community.

Community for a Lifetime:
• J. Frost will head this subcommittee.
• Members are L. Champagne, J. Frost, D. Fantore, Linda Lee and Julie McCowan.
• J. McCowan will continue her work on financial exploitation of seniors.
Community for a Lifetime (cont.)
- State of Michigan Attorney General’s office is making this issue a priority.
- COA website should contain specific information on where to go for help.
- J. Frost enumerated 4 new topics this subcommittee is considering. Many comments followed.
- M. Koet would like to renew the CFL designation.  Lew Cantor will attend April meeting to share original experience.
- Community Garden initiative is complete. At least 4 interested citizens are renting city garden space.

Volunteer Breakfast:
- C. Christoph will continue to chair this subcommittee.
- This year’s printed program was presented. Happy Birthday will be sung to a 100-year old Sojourn Bear volunteer.
- Value of Meals on Wheels is $159,000 yearly.

Senior Directory:
- N. Cook and M. Buchan will work together on this subcommittee.

City Council presentations:
- C. Christoph chairs this subcommittee. He is assisted by J. Frost and M. Koet.
- J. Frost prepared a graphic presentation of the annual report which will be given May 6 to the City of Farmington Mayor and Council. C. Christoph will arrange a date for a Farmington Hills presentation.

Senior Division Report:
- City is evaluating Costick Center recreational activities as part of the Harrison High renovations.
- M. Koet and K. Marshall attended a needs assessment at Botsford-Beaumont hospital. Much discussion of plan to consolidate all psych services for this area in a new Dearborn facility. Housing and aged discussed also.

Old Business:
- None discussed.

New Business:
- None discussed

Ambassador Report:
- Parks and Rec. C.Christoph reported that main thrust of this commission is development of Harrison High.

Adjournment:
- Meeting adjourned at 6:34. Next meeting is Tuesday, April 23 at the Costick Center.

Minutes prepared by M. Buchan, secretary.