

MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON AREA COMMISSION ON AGING
JUNE 23, 2020
COSTICK CENTER
28600 ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 38336

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON MARIAN SCHULTE AT 5:36.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MARY BUCHAN, LAURA CHAMPAGNE, NANCY COOK,
DAN FANTORE, JULIE MCGOWAN, MARIAN SCHULTE, KARINA WEGLARZ.

MEMBERS ABSENT: CARL CHRISTOPH, CHUCK COLLINS, JANE FROST, COLLEEN
IRVIN, LINDA LEE, KATHERINE MARSHALL.

OTHERS PRESENT: MARSHA KOET, SENIOR DIVISION LIASION

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- MOTION BY NANCY COOK
- SUPPORT BY K. WEGLARZ
- MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY, 2020 MINUTES:

- MOTION BY K. WEGLARZ
- SUPPORT BY N. COOK
- MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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COMMUNICATIONS, PROMOTION AND WEBSITE:

- M. Schulte reported approximately 60 hits per month on the website.

EDUCATION: Weglarz and committee continue to work on a Tuesday, September 29 workshop for caregivers in Shannon Hall. M. Schulte will do a PSA for cable news and J. McGowan will be a speaker. Social distancing will be observed

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and pre-registration will be required. Past participants will be notified by email. The monthly Messenger will handle most of the publicity.

COMMUNITY FOR A LIFETIME:

- No report given.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

- Yearly reports were given through printed material.

VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST:

- This category will be replaced by SENIOR DIRECTORY.

SENIOR DIRECTORY:

- Although all names and contact numbers for services have been verified, this will have to be redone because of changes due to COVID-19.
- Most likely, the Senior Directory will be online only because of rapidly changing situations.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None reported.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None reported.

SENIOR DIVISION LIASION REPORT:

- Since the volunteer breakfast could not be held this spring, volunteers were invited to a "Drive Thru" ice cream social. It was held on June 23 and about 100 people attended.
- M. Koet updated the commissioners on many changes in services for seniors because of COVID-19 concerns. There are no indoor activities scheduled at this time. Some outdoor activities will resume next week. Decisions regarding further scheduling will depend on safety concerns.

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- The printed Activities Brochure will not be mailed this season because of rapidly changing situations. It will be available online. Information will be given through the “Messenger”, a monthly newsletter, and other online sources.
- Senex, the adult day care program, has been closed at this time. Plans to re-open will depend on safety for the clients.
- The Senior Division Staff is contacting seniors daily to help ease feelings of isolation and depression that could occur from the stay at home orders. The outreach counselor has an identified group that she phones also.
- The Meals on Wheels program continues and has added about 60 new recipients who cannot leave their homes to shop.
- Transportation is available for medical appointments only.
- The Costick Center is involved in distribution of food boxes for the needy in the community.
- Construction at the former Harrison High has resumed; it is about 7 weeks behind schedule.

AMBASSADOR REPORTS:

- None given.

The meeting adjourned at 6:26. The next meeting is September 22 at the Costick Center.

Minutes prepared by Mary Buchan, secretary

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