

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SENIOR VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 4, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Senior Volunteer Committee was held at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February, 4, 2009 at the Montgomery Township Building. The members of the Senior Volunteer Committee in attendance included Peg Azarian, Judith Fabian, Helen Haag, Tanya Redilla, Richard Roller, and Ralph Schurr. Also present: Jeffrey McDonnell, Board of Supervisors Chairman, Stacy Crandell, Public Information Coordinator, and Pam Gural-Bear, Assistant Manager.

ORGANIZATION MEETING:

Call to Order: Jeffrey McDonnell, Board Liaison to the committee called the meeting to order at 6:56pm.

Nomination of Chairman: Before the election of the Chair, all members introduced themselves to the group. After the introductions, Tanya Redilla made a motion to nominate Ralph Schurr for Chairman and Richard Roller seconded the motion. The committee unanimously voted Ralph Schurr as Chairman.

Nomination of Vice-Chairman: Helen Haag made a motion to nominate Richard Roller as Vice-Chairman and it was seconded by Tanya Redilla. Ralph Schurr made a motion to nominate Helen Haag and Peg Azarian seconded the motion. The vote ended in a tie so the committee will table the issue until the next meeting when all members are in attendance.

End of Organization Meeting: Chairman Ralph Schurr closed the Organization Meeting.

REGULAR MEETING:

Call to Order: Chairman Ralph Schurr called the meeting to order at 7:12pm.

Public Comment: None.

New Business:

- **Brainstorming Session:** The committee members had a brainstorming session of what services they would like to see the committee provide to the community and what services are currently available. Here is the list of services that the committee found to be available in the community:
 - **Lansdale Hospital (Abington- formerly Central Montgomery)**
 - **Transnet and SEPTA**
 - **Horsham Township Free Library**
 - **PEAK Center**
 - **YMCA Discounts for Seniors**
 - **RSVP Volunteers in Lansdale**
 - **Walking Program (i.e.- Mall Walks)**

Some areas the committee felt they would like to look into ideas for programs are safety (partner with Police Department), health and wellness, and partnering with churches to see what services they could work together on.

Each committee member was given some tasks to do and discuss at the next meeting. Tanya Redilla will continue to research services, Helen Haag will look into her church and have contact information for volunteer organizations like RSVP, Richard Roller will be researching some state programs that are available for seniors and also contact churches, and Judith Fabian, Peg Azarian, and Ralph Schurr will look at ideas for programs or services the committee could work on.

Old Business: None.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Senior Volunteer Committee, the meeting adjourned at 8:10p.m. The group will meet next on March 11, 2009 at the Montgomery Township Building at 7:00pm.