MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP SENIOR VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 11, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Montgomery Township Senior Volunteer Committee was held at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 11, 2009 at the Montgomery Township Building. The members of the Senior Volunteer Committee in attendance included Peg Azarian, Tanya Redilla, Richard Roller, Ralph Schurr and Kathryn Sletten. Also present: Jeffrey McDonnell, Board of Supervisors Liaison, and Stacy Crandell, Public Information Coordinator.

Call to Order: Chairman Ralph Schurr called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. Chairman Schurr had the Committee take a moment of silence for veterans in observation of Veteran's Day.

Approval of Minutes from September Meeting: Minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Comment: None.

New Business:

Review and Evaluate of Autumn Festival: The Committee was pleased with the response they received at the Autumn Festival and want to participate again next year. They felt Bob Sykes from the PEAK Center was very informative. The Committee did not think the blood pressure machine was worth having again.

Review and Evaluate of the Senior Safety Seminar: The Committee felt the seminar was a success. The event had about 15-20 people in attendance. The information given by Officer Matlack was well received. The Committee feels that they would like to try an evening time for the next seminar to see if the attendance increases.

Organize the next seminar- Pre-Planning Funeral Arrangements: The Committee discussed planning a new seminar that would help the senior community prepare for issues such as: wills, trust, and pre-planning funeral arrangements. Staff was directed to contact an elder law attorney in the area to see if she could come to the next meeting in January. The Committee would like to discuss with her, topics that would be appropriate to cover and whether we should have two seminars- one during the day and one at night.

Old Business:

Reminder December Meeting is cancelled: The Senior Committee will not be meeting in December. The next meeting will be on January 13, 2010 at 7PM.

Recreation Programs: Staff confirmed to the Committee that the Recreation Office had taken some of their suggestions for recreation programs for the winter.

Other Business:

Jeffrey McDonnell and Staff talked about the new email newsletter and encourage the Committee to sign up for this new communication vehicle and to spread the word to their neighbors.

Chairman Schurr also commended the Board of Supervisors for passing a balance budget with no tax increase.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Senior Volunteer Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm. The group will meet next on January 13, 2010 at the Montgomery Township Building at 7:00pm.