Montgomery Township Senior Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 7, 2016

Location: Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center, Senior Lounge

Present: Jacqueline Volk, Chair, Peg Azarian, Helen Haag, Marian Pinkerton, Richard

Roller, Ralph Schurr, Recreation Director, Floyd Shaffer, Athletic and Recreation

Coordinator, Matt Reimel, and Ginny Bailey

Chair Jackie Volk called the meeting to order at 6:58 pm.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the June 1, 2016 meeting were approved as distributed.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Floyd Shaffer introduced himself as the Recreation Director and said he was going to give the Committee viable things to do and enlist their help in getting more seniors into the Center. His ideas include more senior programs besides the Coloring Club and is thinking about having weekly programs, presentations, and activities. He wants people visiting in the Center to have fun.

Correspondence:

Floyd read the letter of resignation from Karen Grant. He asked the Committee to accept Karen's resignation with regret and that it was nice to have fresh ideas.

Unfinished Business:

Summer Concert Series - Recap

The Committee said the concerts were well attended and the new venue worked out better than expected. All the bands got rave reviews and suggestions for next year's bands included Chico's Vibe, The Poets and Real Diamond. The Committee asked for more handicapped spots and brought up having food at the concerts.

Senior Expo, Friday, September 9th

Jackie asked who might be able to work at the table and there will be good coverage. The Committee asked for copies of the Senior Resource Guide, APPRISE flyer, Medicare Seminar and Senior activities be available to hand out.

Autumn Festival, Saturday, October 1st

The Committee requested a table near the restrooms again and Matt talked about the wristband pre-sale. There will be enough people to work at the table and literature left over from the Senior Expo can be handed out at the Autumn Festival.

Medicare Seminar, Wednesday, October 26th

Ginny was able to change the date and most Committee members will be available to attend. APPRISE flyers will be available and Ginny gave each member a copy.

Report from the Recreation Office

Matt reported that the Fall Newsletter has gone out with a lot of new programs. The Committee gave mostly positive feedback about the spray park but thinks residents should have more access. Matt said their feedback was similar to what the Center has been receiving so the spray park operation may change for next year. It was very popular since we had such a hot summer.

New Business:

Breakfast with Santa

Jackie asked for volunteers and said it's a fun event. Matt talked about some of the other family events this fall like pumpkin decorating, gingerbread house decorating, and family bingo and movie nights. Rich offered a red chair for Santa if we would like to use it.

Vice-Chair Vacancy

Since the Committee accepted Karen's resignation, there is a vacancy for Vice-Chair. Since there is only one more meeting for 2016, the Committee decided to wait until the Reorganization Meeting in January 2017 to fill the vacancy. In the meantime, the Committee said they would look for a new member.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Next meeting – Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00 pm in the Senior Lounge.

Submitted by Ginny Bailey