

Montgomery Township Senior Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 1, 2016

Location: Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center, Senior Lounge

Present: Jacqueline Volk, Chair, Peg Azarian, Karen Grant, Helen Haag, Jeff McDonnell, Marian Pinkerton, Richard Roller, Ralph Schurr, and Ginny Bailey

Guest: John Nolan

Chair Jackie Volk called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the March 16, 2016 meeting were approved as distributed.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Unfinished Business:

Elder Law Seminar

The Committee thought this year's seminar was the "best one yet". It was well attended and Rosemary and her associate, Mary E. Podlogar, were well prepared and knowledgeable. They were able to review their material without a lot of interruptions and still had time for questions.

Summer Concert Series

Ginny handed out the concert schedule and the Committee agreed to have a table with literature as in years past. After the meeting, the Committee looked at possible locations for the table and decided that the entrance near the brown wall would be a good location because it would be protected in case of rain and the wall would block the wind. Ginny assured the Committee that CRC staff would be able to have the table and chairs set up and the information to be put out available before the concert. The Committee again asked about having food at the concerts and Ginny said she would mention it to Matt and Floyd. There was also concern about the location of the concerts since they don't feel the lawn in front of the Center is big enough for concert goers and they're afraid kids will fall off if bleachers are brought in.

Report from the Recreation Office

Ginny reported that Nancy Morris has not had many appointments since she was given a space in the Center to meet with people. Nancy discussed coming in for the month of June, only coming in for appointments in July and August and start back weekly in September. The Committee thinks the lack of appointments is due to not having information to hand out or have available when

someone comes in the Center. Ginny had discussed with Marian and Helen the possibility of having a flyer available at the concerts to help make people aware that Nancy had an office in the Center. Ginny handed out a sample of a flyer she put together and the Committee asked her to finish and get approval from Nancy and CRC Director, Floyd Shaffer before the flyer could be copied.

New Business:

Literature for CRC Lobby and/or Summer Concert Series

Ginny reported that she had received a call from Kelsey McMeans, Township Public Information Coordinator, that the Township website mentions the Senior Resource Center for information on senior issues but the literature hasn't been maintained and suggested it be moved to the CRC. Kelsey offered to provide a rack and Marian and Helen visited PA Rep. Todd Stephens' office and came back with new information and brochures. Ginny will talk to Floyd about where the rack could be hung in the Center. Marian, Helen, Karen and anyone else on the Committee who would like to help out will meet next Wednesday after the Coloring Club to sort the information from Rep. Stephens' office.

Senior Resource Guide

Ginny reported that one of the summer interns in the Administration Office has been given the task of updating the guide. The Committee worked on revising it about 18 months ago so information probably needs to be updated. When completed, Ginny will make sure copies are available.

Senior Expo

This year's Senior Expo, hosted by Rep. Stephens, will be Friday, September 9th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm in the CRC gym. When Marian and Helen picked up literature at Rep. Stephens' office, they were told the Senior Committee would be notified to have a table.

Autumn Festival

The Committee had questions about the Autumn Festival such as the date (Saturday, October 1st), if there would be a corn maze, what kind of food vendors, rain date, etc. The Committee also discussed table coverage.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Next meeting – **Wednesday, September 7th** at 7:00 pm in the Senior Lounge.

Submitted by
Ginny Bailey