

Montgomery Township Senior Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: January 4, 2017

Location: Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Building, Senior Lounge

Present: Peg Azarian, Helen Haag, Jeff McDonnell, Matt Reimel, Richard Roller, Ralph Schurr, Jacqueline Volk, and Ginny Bailey.

Also present: John Nolan

Reorganization Meeting

Staff liaison Ginny Bailey called the Reorganization Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Nominations for Chairman

The Committee voted unanimously to have Jackie Volk serve as Chairman of the Senior Committee for another year. Ginny turned the meeting over to Jackie after she accepted the nomination.

Nominations for Vice-Chairman

The Committee voted unanimously to have Richard Roller serve as Vice Chairman and Rich accepted.

The Reorganization Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Regular Meeting

Newly re-elected Chairman Jackie Volk called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

The minutes of the November 2, 2016 meeting were approved as distributed. Rich suggested that a thank you letter be written to Representative Todd Stephen's office for hosting the Senior Expo and inviting the Senior Committee to attend.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Ginny introduced John Nolan to the Committee and said he had been invited to attend by Ginny and Matt because they thought he would be a good candidate to fill the vacancy on the Senior Committee. Ginny provided some of John's qualifications and the Committee voted unanimously to recommend to Township Manager Larry Gregan and the Board of Supervisors to appoint John to the Senior Committee.

Unfinished Business:

Breakfast with Santa

Ginny and Matt thanked the members of the Senior Committee for helping out at the Breakfast with Santa event on Saturday, December 10th. There were 170 people at the event including children, their parents, grandparents, volunteers and members of the FDMT who brought Santa on the fire truck. Everyone had a great time and the children really enjoyed seeing the fire trucks, making crafts and letting Santa know their Christmas list.

Elder Law Seminar

Ginny reported that after several attempts, she has been in contact with Rosemary Ferrino's office and while Rosemary would not be available, Mary Podlogar would be available. They also suggested a date the week of May 15th and that the event be held during the day as opposed to an evening event. The Committee decided to hold the event on Wednesday, May 17th and would prefer an evening so the family members who work during the day could also attend. Ginny will get back to Rosemary's office with the Committee's preferences.

Report from the Recreation Office

Matt talked about the programs planned for the spring and summer including the Senior Seminars, pickleball, and Easter Egg Hunt, as well as programs in the planning stage like a Father's Day Breakfast and other family events. Matt also mentioned that the cost of memberships has gone down and that plans for the spray park are still under discussion.

New Business:

Plans for 2017

Definite plans for 2017 include a Medicare Seminar in October. The last one was very successful and well attended.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting – Wednesday, March 1st at 7:00 pm in the Senior Lounge.

Submitted by
Ginny Bailey