Montgomery Township
Senior Committee Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2026

Location: Montgomery Township Community and Recreation Center

Members Present: Jess Jastrzemski, Liz Cornell, Chuck Vesay, Joyce Malageri
Staff Liaison Deb Rivas

Public Guests: None

1. **Call to Order – 12:00 p.m.**

2. **Pledge of Allegiance & Public Comment:** None

3. **Approval of the Minutes –** Chuck Vesay motioned to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2026 meeting, and Liz Cornell seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

4. **New Business:**
   - **Walking Club Initiative –** Chuck Vesay stated that he has two people coming to the next meeting. We have been advertising the flyer for the Walking Club Kickoff event and several people called to say they could not make the meeting, but were interested in learning more. A suggestion was made to add a health-focused person to enhance the walk for conversation. It could be called “Walk with a Doc” and feature a cardiologist or other specialist who discusses ways to improve your health while walking.

   - **Montgomery Township Senior Games –** The Montgomery County Senior Games are full. Chuck Vesay spoke with the organizers of the Senior Games to gather information and ideas for hosting local Township games.

5. **Old Business:**
   - **Scheduled Speaker Seminars for 2026:** There has been a concern about the low attendance lately for several programs, including the popular Medicare program. While the Township staff has been advertising the programs as usual, there seems to be a smaller audience this year. Deb Rivas suggested that we eliminate online registration for the free seminars and have attendees call the Township's main number instead, where we can collect their name and contact information. The members thought this was a good option. Another suggestion was a separate Senior Newsletter sent once a month or sooner, with information on programming and other senior resources. The committee would need to collect email addresses, which could be done at the Autumn Festival table this year. The committee would also need to help produce the newsletter's content.

   - **Bocce Ball:** Joyce Malageri mentioned that the bocce ball courts outside the CRC are not being maintained. She has seen dogs in the courts, and they are making a mess.

The courts were built but are not being used for various reasons, including a lack of shade, a difficult-to-use gate, inconvenient ball retrieval, and an uninviting environment. Jess Jastrzemski is interested in starting a league. They want to reach out to see who would be interested. They really need shade, bathroom facilities, and a combo lock shed to store the equipment.

6. **Discussion Items:**

    - **New Topics:** Liz Cornell will contact Joy Zwicker about topics for Wills 101 and Alzheimer's Association. Joyce Malageri and Liz Cornell will make contacts for the June seminars.

7. **Adjournment:** A motion was made by Liz Cornell and seconded by Joyce Malageri to adjourn the meeting at 12:58 p.m.

Next Meeting: **May 20, 2026 at 12:00 Noon**