



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissions Room
33 S. Arlington Heights Road
September 19, 2016
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from 7/18/16

IV. REPORTS

- A. Chairperson
- B. Senior Center Manager
- C. Senior Impact Reports
 - 1. Not for Profit Corporation
 - 2. Senior Center Advisory Council
 - 3. Legislation

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Goal Setting
- B. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award Wrap Up

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Announcements
- B. Correspondence

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes from 7/18/16

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ATTACHMENTS:

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July SC minutes	Minutes

**VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION
MINUTES FROM JULY 18, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Sharon Foss, Sharon Adams, Erwin Campbell, Fred Feldman, Ruta Freimanis, Dottie Hardy, Dr. George Motto, Maureen Seleski, George Weber and Tem Williams

Also Present: Karen Hansen, Commission Liaison

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016

COMMISSIONER FREIMANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FELDMAN, MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016. ALL CONCURRED.

IV. REPORTS

A. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Foss provided a short report. There was some discussion about how to help seniors become better educated about being able to research senior services on the computer and the classes and support offered at the senior center by the library and at the library itself. Commissioner Seleski suggested looking into Schaumburg's "Next Door" program.

B. Senior Center Manager's Report

Senior Center Manager Karen Hansen reported on the excellent two part Harper Program on the History of the Chicago Cubs. Program Coordinator Karie Van Grinsven was attending the "Virtual Senior Center" presentation hosted by CJE (Council for Jewish Elderly.) The Advisory Council hot dog cook out was occurring at this same time as the Commission Meeting. The Village of Arlington Heights was looking at redoing the website. Commissioner Motto inquired if the new design of the website would be a place to promulgate senior citizens information.

C. Senior Impact Reports

1. Not for Profit Corporation

Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc. had postponed their July meeting until July 28 and was working on its July 19 golf outing.

2. Senior Center Advisory Council

Commissioner Campbell reported he had not been able to attend the last Advisory Council meeting. Karen Hansen provided a short update on the programs, including the upcoming RJO concert and the brat-fest.

3. Legislation

Commissioner Feldman reported on IL HB 4351, the Illinois Community Care - as of today, it had not been acted upon.

SB 2038 would provide \$700 million in stop gap funding to help human service organizations. Governor Rauner vetoed this bill on July 1.

HB 6162 Creates the Employee Sick Leave Act. Provides that employees may use personal sick leave benefits for an illness, injury, or medical appointment of the employee's family member. It has not been acted upon.

HB 6079 amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that any person responsible to pay the bills of an elderly person makes it a crime if that person fails to pay for nursing home care. There has been no movement.

Federal Senate Bill- S 716, the Senior Tax Simplification Act, A bill to allow seniors to file their Federal income tax on a new Form (1040SR) similar to a 1040 EZ for seniors.

S. 879 Americans Giving Care to Elders (AGE) Act – no further action.

S. 1719 Recognize, Assist, Include, Support, and Engage Family Caregivers Act , the RAISE Family Caregivers Act passed in the Senate Last Year, was sent to the House and there's been no further action.

A short discussion clarified that much Village of Arlington Heights business was conducted through the consent agenda now.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Goal Setting

Chairperson Foss requested the commission receive copies of the Village of Arlington Heights Action Plan as well as the State of Illinois Action Plan. She suggested reviewing these two documents “side by side” to see if anything we’re doing fits in with either of these two plans.

Commissioner Motto noted that the commission wanted to pursue a presentation by Christina Ferraro from the City of Evanston on becoming an age friendly community. He suggested that implicit in the invitation to Christine was the

thought that the commission could improve things. Commissioner Motto asked if the commission was going to adopt a proactive stance. He suggested that the commission go into this with a feeling that they were going to accomplish something. Chairperson Foss suggested hearing the presentation and then making a decision as to whether the commission would pursue this. Commissioner Motto suggested inviting Dr. Meservey to that meeting. Commissioner Hardy suggested that having Ms. Ferraro attend a Senior Citizens Commission in the fall was a good first step. Chairperson Foss indicated she had made a personal commitment to participate in future programs with Nora Boyer.

Chairperson Foss noted that the Commission was going to support Commissioner Williams' work on the hot water therapy pool with the Arlington Heights Park District.

B. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

Commissioner Weber reported that there had been eight nominations. Five of these nominees "met our standards and four definitely qualified for the award." Chairperson Foss asked commissioners Campbell and Seleski to excuse themselves from this portion of the meeting as both had been nominated for this award. **COMMISSIONER WEBER MOVED THAT MAUREEN SELESKI AS THE 2016 RECIPIENT OF THE KENNETH HOOD AWARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FREIMANIS. ALL CONCURRED AND THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** Commissioners Campbell and Seleski returned to the meeting and congratulations were extended to Ms. Seleski. Ms. Seleski acknowledged that it was gratifying to receive recognition from her peers.

The recognition would take place at the Village Board meeting on August 15, followed by a reception.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Announcements

Commissioner Seleski noted that Donna Thomas, former President of the Village of Inverness and from the board of the Northwest Housing Partnership had passed away.

Commissioner Seleski reported that Escorted Transportation Service Northwest had hired a new Program Director, Vicki Schlomann.

Commissioner Williams reported that she was meeting with Mr. (Rick) Hanetho, the new head of the Arlington Heights Park District to talk about the therapy pool.

Commissioner Williams reported that the Daily Herald wants to run a column about seniors, "Sensational Seniors." Commissioner Williams was writing this.

B. Correspondence

- C. Next Meeting Date:** Chairperson Foss noted that the Hood Award Reception would take place on August 15th.

Plans were quickly outlined for the reception: Chairperson Foss would pick up the chocolate cake. Commissioner Adams would pick up the corsage. Commissioner Adams clarified that the recognition would begin on the third floor at the Board meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER WEBER MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 7:50 P.M., SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ADAMS. ALL CONCURRED. .