



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissions Room 2nd Floor

Arlington Heights Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
June 15, 2015
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from 5/18/15

IV. REPORTS

- A. Chairperson's Report
- B. Senior Impact Reports
 - 1. Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc.
 - 2. Senior Center Advisory Council
 - 3. Legislation
 - 4. Ken Hood Award Recipient Approval & Recognition Details
- C. Senior Center Manager's Report

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Announcements
- B. Correspondence
- C. Next Meeting

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Item: Minutes from 5/18/15

Department: Health Services

ATTACHMENTS:

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**Village of Arlington Heights
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION
Minutes from May 18, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present	Also Present	Absent
Sharon Foss, Chair Sharon Adams Erwin Campbell Fred Feldman Ruta Freimanis Maureen Seleski Tem Williams George Weber	Karen Hansen, Commission Liaison	Dottie Hardy

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER FELDMAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION OF MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SELESKI. ALL CONCURRED.

IV. REPORTS

A. Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Foss asked if the commissioners had a chance to read the e-mail that Karen Hansen had sent out clarifying that Northwest Community Hospital was offering a program similar to the Five Wishes program, and this program was called Voice Your Choice. The Chairperson also reported that the eight month budget had been approved.

B. Senior Impact Reports

1. Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc.

The Senior Center Manager reported that Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc. had met on May 14th. Their Total Assets were \$126,757.47. The year to date income is \$30,306.18. The Golf Outing will be on July 14th at Nickol Knoll, featuring two shot gun starts, one in the morning and one in the afternoon with lunch in between. There were two funding requests: Catholic Charities \$4700, partially funded at \$3500, a decision that the Inc. Board of Directors might revisit as this had been approved at a prior meeting. The Inc. Board of Directors had approved full funding of a request for \$7400 to help cover rides from ETS, Northwest. John Glueckert is the new President,

Steve Schultz is the Treasurer, and Brenda Borchers is the Secretary.

2. Senior Center Advisory Council

Commissioner Campbell reported that the Advisory Council had met on May 5th. Northwest Community Hospital Karen Baker and Mary Stevens had attended to introduce the “My Chart” program. He covered upcoming events, such as the participation in the Memorial Day parade and patio programs from June through October. Commissioner Weber inquired if Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc. had subsidized any of the Advisory Council's patio programs. The Senior Center Manager reported that this request had been approved at Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc.'s March meeting.

3. Legislation

Commissioner Feldman reported that nothing had happened with the Older Americans Reauthorization Act-2015 and summarized that it was “stuck in the Senate.”

Commissioner Feldman also reported that in the Illinois General Assembly, HB 2462, the (Authorized Electronic Monitoring in Long-Term Care Facilities Act), permits use of an audio or video monitoring in his or her room at his or her expense. It establishes criminal penalties for a person or entity that knowingly hampers, obstructs, tampers with, or destroys an electronic monitoring device. It's an offense for a facility to discriminate or retaliate against a resident or prospective resident for consenting to the electronic monitoring. It's an offense for a facility to prevent the installation of an electronic monitoring device by a resident who has provided the facility with the required consent. It was stuck in the Senate as of May 15TH.

The Right to Try Act provides that an eligible patient with a terminal illness who has considered all other treatment options approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) may acquire from a manufacturer an investigational drug, biological product, or device that has successfully completed Phase I of a clinical trial, but has not been approved for general use by the FDA. The pharmaceutical manufacturer may provide an investigational drug, biological product, or device to an eligible patient, either with or without receiving compensation. Insurance may provide coverage. It is currently in the Rules Committee awaiting assignment.

Commissioner Feldman reported that SB1298 creates the Caregiver Advise, Record, and Enable Act. Provides that after a patient is admitted as an inpatient into a hospital and before the patient is discharged or transferred, the hospital shall provide

the patient or the patient's legal representative with an opportunity to designate a caregiver. It requires the hospital to notify the patient's designated caregiver prior to the patient's move (discharge or transfer), unless the patient indicates that he or she does not want the designated caregiver to be notified. It requires the hospital to consult with the caregiver and issue a discharge plan. It provides that the hospital issuing the discharge plan shall arrange for the designated caregiver to receive training for the discharge plan's home care. This was acted upon and passed by the Senate on May 13th. It has not yet been sent to the Governor for signature.

4. **Ken Hood Award**

Commissioner Weber provided an update on the Kenneth Hood Award Committee's work. One application had been received. Two hundred letters had been sent out by May 1st. It was posted on TribLocal, the Daily Herald Local and submitted to the Journal. Ms. Hansen reported that in early April, the brochure, press release and nomination form had been posted on the Village of Arlington Heights website.

C. **Senior Center Manager's Report**

Senior Center Manager Karen Hansen provided the following report: ETS, Northwest had celebrated its 20,000th Ride. Volunteer Coordinator Sharon Swanson had worked with IT to implement the new online tracking system for volunteers, Volgistics. In keeping with precedent, this is the same software that other organizations in Arlington Heights that had large volunteer programs were using. The Tax Counseling for the Elderly had completed 708 household's taxes at the Arlington Heights Senior Center site. In addition to that, the AHSC was the training site for the tax counselors staffing the TCE sites in the northwest suburbs. Ms. Hansen drew attention to the upcoming National Senior Health & Fitness Day, May 27th from 8:30-Noon. She reported that the Senior Center had provided an opportunity to participate in the \$2500 SHIP grant. The Postal Alert program had been purged & updated. Presently, there are twelve clients registered on the program.

V. **Old Business**

COMMISSIONER ADAMS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SELESKI MOVED THAT THE JULY SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION MEETING BE CANCELED, WITH THE AUGUST MEETING DEPENDING THE PLANS FOR THE PRESENTATION DATE OF THE KENNETH HOOD SENIOR SERVICE AWARD. THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

VI. **New Business**

Chairperson Foss noted that the Herald had recently reported that it was Mary Stitt's 90th birthday.

Commissioner Seleski thanked the Senior Center Manager for allowing Escorted Transportation Service to allow the Savers donations truck serve as a fund raiser for ETS, Northwest. The event had raised \$850 for ETS, Northwest.

Commissioner Williams asked if she could approach the Arlington Heights Park District for a discount on swim passes, citing the benefits of aqua-therapy and the fact that it was done in other villages. The decision was to check to see whether Village permission was needed for the Senior Citizens Commission to approach the Park Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Seleski suggested inviting Maryfran Leno (Arlington Heights Park District Board of Commissioners President) to a future meeting. Commissioner Freimanis indicated she was opposed to extending a discount on just one program and voiced her concerns that a discount (applying to seniors) could pose a financial hardship to the Park District. Chairperson Foss suggested that Commissioner Williams investigate the details on her own and the Commission Liaison would check as to whether permission was needed for the Senior Commission to approach the Park Board of Commissioners.

VII. **Other Business**

VIII. **ADJOURN**

**COMMISSIONER CAMPBELL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
FELDMAN, MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 7:56 P.M. ALL
CONCURRED.**