



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Virtual Meeting

May 17, 2021
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. **In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, this Senior Citizens' Commission meeting is being held virtually, which permits the public to fully participate via their computers or using their phones.**

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II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from April 19, 2021

IV. REPORTS

- A. Senior Impacts Reports
1. Chairperson
 2. Senior Center Manager
 3. Not for Profit Corporation
 4. Senior Center Advisory Council
 5. Legislation
 6. Age Friendly Community Certification
 7. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Announcements/Correspondence
- B. Citizens To Be Heard

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Senior Citizens' Commission
5/17/2021

Item: Minutes from April 19, 2021

Department: Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes from April 19, 2021	Minutes

Minutes
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissioners Room and Virtual
33 S. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, 60005
April 19, 2021
7:00 PM

I.CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Feldman called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II.ROLL CALL

Present

Fred Feldman,
Chairman
Nancy Frenk
Susan Viecegli
George Motto, M.D.
Tim Carter
Sharon Adams
Maureen Seleski
Dottie Hardy

Also Present

Tracey Colagrossi,
Commission Liaison
Keith Moens
Melissa Cayer

Absent

George Weber
Tem Williams

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes from March 22, 2021

CHAIRPERSON FELDMAN PROPOSED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER FRENK MOTIONED SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ADAMS, MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 22, 2021 MEETING.

ALL CONCURRED AND THE MOTION CARRIED. Chairperson Feldman summarized that the minutes were approved.

IV. REPORTS

A. Senior Impacts Reports

a. Chairperson

Chairperson Feldman spoke with Mayor Hayes who informed him that his three year term would be expiring. Mayor Hayes has appointed Sue Viecegli. Commissioner Viecegli will run the May meeting.

Commissioners congratulated Commissioner Viecegli and thanked Chairperson Feldman for his excellent leadership.

b. Senior Center Manager

The Senior Center hosted their second vaccine clinic on Monday, April 19. The clinic was in collaboration with AgeOptions, Area agency on Aging for Suburban Cook County; Catholic Charities Northwest; Hanul Family Alliance, Korean family service agency in Mount Prospect. 170 Moderna vaccines were distributed with the second dose scheduled for May 17. The Village Health Nurse Mary Sterrenburg volunteered with the event.

Nurse Sterrenburg has been working with the Cook County Department of Public Health to work on getting home bound individuals vaccinated. At this time Cook County has 91% of adults aged 65+ has at least one vaccine.

The Senior Center and the tenant agencies are working on an accreditation celebration as well as celebrating Older

Americans month. Each agency is planning a day in May where we highlight their services.

We are still operating in the Restore Illinois Phase Four recommendations, with capacity limits for in person programs and virtual programs. May and June programs will continue in the same fashion. We will have an Accreditation event with an outdoor concert in May, with three sessions minding capacity issues.

The Program Coordinator position has been approved to be full time. The posting has begun on the Village's website and will continue for 15 days. Karie Van Grinsven's last day is May 7 at the Senior Center and she will be greatly missed.

AARP Tax Aide Program decided to extend their service dates to align with the IRS' new deadline of May 17.

BKV Architects Firm designers visited the Senior Center on Monday, April 19. The designers live out of state and were in town for family and wanted to see the space in person. The Senior Center Manager will update the commission on activities on this project.

c. Not for Profit Corporation

The INC Board is working on an outdoor expo event "Live Well, Age Well Expo" on Wednesday, June 23. A rain date of Thursday, June 24 is planned. The Commission will have a booth. The Commission will charge the Communication Age Friendly subcommittee on the content of their booth.

d. Senior Center Advisory Council

The Advisory Council continue to plan an outdoor concert day on Wednesday, May 26. The concert will be an ongoing or rolling event so we will be able to accommodate patrons in an outdoor setting.

e. Legislation

Chairperson Feldman reported he is following 51 bills in the General Assembly, none have been enacted. Some are moving through committee, many are stalled in the rules committee and probably will see no action. There are forty-four session days left for the General Assembly

before adjournment. April 23 is the deadline for substantive senate bills and house bills to receive their third and final reading before enactment and passage. May 14 is the deadline for passing the counterpart house bills out of committee for final action. Chairperson Feldman will keep track of it, however, things are progressing slowly.

f. Age Friendly Community Certification

Commissioner Motto has met with several Village officials and noted the Commissions efforts are having more of an impact than they previously thought. The AARP Survey results helped inform the Village Board to proceed with the Request for Proposal for the Space Utilization, Modernization and Program Plan that was awarded to BKV. Commissioner Motto stressed that the Commission reports to the Board of Trustees.

The of the three sub committees, Housing met on April 9 with Commissioners Motto, Frenk, and Seleski. The discussion of action steps to address affordable housing are

- To do an inventory of housing options in the Village.
- For the Commission to become involved with other Commissions in subjects relating to older adults.

Commissioner Motto verified that the Trustees received the letter regarding the concerns over the Affordable Housing Ordinance. Commissioner Motto will present a written report on housing trusts. The sub committee is also proposing a housing brochure on different housing in the Village. Commissioner Motto added at a recent American Society on Aging educational session that higher income older adults are preferring to age in place, while lower income population is choosing continuing care solutions. Compiling resources for aging in community will be important for these efforts. Commissioner Motto recommended that Village employee Nora Boyer or Charles Perkins to present the ordinance and the housing trust to the Commission at the next meeting. The Commission agreed and the Senior Center Manager will request Nora Boyer present to our meeting.

Chairperson Feldman recognized Keith Moens on Affordable Housing. Mr. Moens encouraged the

Commission to keep active with the Board on this issue and continue the conversation.

g. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

Chairperson Feldman reiterated that the Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award is postponed until the meeting restrictions are lifted.

V.OLD BUSINESS

- a. No old business was discussed.

VI.NEW BUSINESS

- a. No new business was discussed.

VII.OTHER BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

There was no additional correspondence or announcements.

B. Citizens to Be Heard

Melissa Cayer stated concern that the subcommittees may violate the Open Meetings Act. Chairperson Feldman noted that the Commission verified with the Village Attorney that no more than three Commissioners at a meeting would not violate and not needed to publish their meeting.

The Commissioners once again congratulated Fred Feldman on an excellent term as Chairperson.

VIII.ADJOURNMENT

AT 7:40 PM, COMMISSIONER HARDY MADE A MOTION TO ADJORN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SELESKI. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MEETING CONCLUDED.