



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissions Room
Kenneth Hood Committee, 33 S. Arlington Heights Rd, 60005
April 18, 2022
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from March 31, 2022

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Senior Citizens' Commission Kenneth Hood Award

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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Senior Citizens' Commission
4/18/2022

Item: Minutes from March 31, 2022

Department: Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Type
Minutes from March 31, 2022	Minutes

**Meeting Minutes
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Kenneth Hood Committee Meeting
1801 W. Central Rd, Rm 187,
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
March 31, 2022
2:00 PM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:
 - i. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm

- II. ROLL CALL
 - i. Present: Sharon Adams, Fred Vogt, Tem Williams and Senior Commission Liaison, Tracey Colagrossi

- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - i. **A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 10, 2022 WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER ADAMS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VOGT. MOTION APPROVED**

- IV. REPORTS
 - i. The Commissioners reviewed the mailing list to organizations in the area for recruitment of applications. The addition of the local chapter of the NAACP, LGBTQ, Saint Viator, and local temples
 - ii. Press Releases will be sent out tomorrow. Discussion of newspaper contacts and submissions. Mailing will take place next week.
 - iii. Will outreach to the Rotary Clubs, Chambers, and Churches to provide presentations on the award.
 - iv. Tracey will connect with Mighty Mites Awards to see if they have similar blown glass award. Current pick has a 15-day lead time.
 - v. Will provide the nomination form and flyer into the newsletter insert for the May/June 2022 mailing.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- i. Reviewed the materials for the mailing. All three commissioners' names will be included in the letter.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- i. The next meeting will be scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the Commissions Room.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- i. No other business was discussed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- i. **MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VOGT. MOTION CARRIED. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:37 PM**



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissions Room
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd, AH
April 18, 2022
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from March 21, 2022

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
 - Transportation Report
 - Communication Report
 - Affordable Housing Report
 7. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

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

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Senior Citizens' Commission
4/18/2022

Item: Minutes from March 21, 2022

Department: Health and Human Services

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**Minutes
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissioners Room
March 21, 2022
7:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Fred Feldman chaired the meeting in Chairperson Sue Veicelli's absence. Commissioner Feldman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Fred Feldman, Acting
Chair

Fred Vogt

Roberta White

Sharon Adams

Tim Carter

Tem Williams

Also Present

Tracey Colagrossi,
Commission Liaison

Absent

SueViecelli, Chairperson

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**CHAIRPERSON FELDMAN PROPOSED A MOTION TO
APPROVE THE MINUTES. COMMISSIONER VOGT
MOTIONED SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ADAMS; ALL
APPROVED THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 21, 2021
MEETING.**

IV. REPORTS

Senior Impacts Reports

- A. Chairperson's Report
 - a. As Chairperson Veicelli was excused absence, there was nothing to report.
- B. Senior Center Manager
 - a. Hersey High School and the Senior Center will have the Senior Olympics on April 20, 2022, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. 25 students and 25 patrons will go through various events such as Wii Bowling, Jenga, and much more.
 - b. The partner agencies and Program Coordinator Adelphia have planned the Senior Health and Fitness Day on Wednesday, May 25 from 9 am to 12:30 pm.
 - c. Agencies are working on the May/June 2023 Newsletter. Commissioner Vogt recommended posting the Kenneth Hood flyer in the newsletter. Manager Colagrossi agreed.
 - d. The Senior Center Space Utilization, Modernization, Program Plan study is costing out the proposed plan. Outside elevations are also being looked at through design and building. A final report will be presented to the Board of Trustees sometime in late April or early May. Commissioner Vogt asked when would they get to see the final plan with costs. Manager Colagrossi stated she would look into this and get back to the Commission. More than likely it may be the same process as the last presentation, whereas, the Commission received the same information as the Board of Trustees the Thursday before the scheduled meeting.
 - e. Longtime Disabilities Coordinator, David Robb retired on Friday, March 18 after 22 years. The department is seeking to replace the position with disabilities, gerontology, and social work experience.
 - f. The annual report/infographic will be posted on the website, the foundation's website, and on social media.
 - g. Tax-Aide appointments are full.

- h. Connections to Care hired a new Executive Director, Char Padovani. Ms. Padovani was the Volunteer Coordinator at North Shore Senior Center for five years before joining Connections to Care.
- C. Not for Profit Corporation
 - a. On June 22, 2022, the Rock and Roll Live Well Age Well Expo will take place at the Senior Center from 11 am to 2 pm. Vendors will present their information and resources to patrons. Pre-registration is encouraged for lunch.
 - b. Inc is also planning a fundraiser Pickleball Tournament for some time in late summer. More information on dates and costs coming soon.
- D. Senior Center Advisory Council
 - a. Manager Colagrossi reported the Advisory Council had their St. Patrick's Day event on March 16 with an Irish music trio and the Trinity Irish Dancers.
 - b. The next event is the Cinco de Mayo event scheduled on May 4. Dancing, music, and Mexican food will be served.
- E. Legislation
 - a. Nothing to report. The session was very short ending on April 8. Commissioner Feldman will submit a final summary report in the last hours of the session. Commissioner Feldman added that there is always some change to pass bills in the veto session.
 - b. Commissioner Vogt asked about the redistricting map for elected officials adding that it was confusing trying to find it on a website. The Senior Center Manager advised she could check with the Cook County clerk and see if there is an alternate website. (website is the Illinois State Board of Elections). www.elections.il.gov

F. Age-Friendly Community Certification

- a. Commissioner Moto stated that Age-Friendly is taking off. The Commissioner and the Senior Center Manager are presenting a session on Age-Friendly in Arlington Heights on March 28 at 9 AM. 20 people have signed up for in person and virtual.
- b. Communication commission, to promulgate, Umbrella to engage volunteer, 8 domains, housing, etc. Members of the commission to understand the age-friendly and talk it up. 2018, cut across silos in the departments and village.
- c. The Senior Center Manager noted that the most up-to-date Action Plan was distributed in their meeting packets to reflect the first quarter of 2022.

I. Transportation Report

- a. Commissioner Feldman is working with the Senior Center Manager to conduct the next Town Hall Talk in May to explain the transportation options to older adults.

Commissioner Feldman noted that in the 2019 survey from AARP Age-Friendly, 94% of respondents were still driving, and public transportation may not be a concern yet. However, it should be the responsibility of the Commission to discuss what will happen when they can no longer drive? The Commissioner attended two transportation form meetings where autonomous electric vehicles were discussed. The response from the organizations was that was not a consideration yet. However, Commissioner Feldman read a recent article where there was a fleet of autonomous vehicles used in Tempe Arizona. Commissioner Vogt had recently visited Tempe and saw the fleet. Commissioner Feldman advised this may be worth inquiring about.

Commissioner Motto noted a study about aging in place that when an individual gives up driving, it has been documented that there is a correlation of dying between eight to ten years

of giving up the keys. Adding we need to find solutions for folks before this happens.

Commissioner Adams suggested that the Commission look into a volunteer program such as Connections to Care that may serve people beyond medical appointments. She added it is very difficult for folks living on the north side of the Village to access services and transportation.

Commissioner Adams also suggested a fixed route system that would work much like the transportation service for the festivals. The Senior Center Manager noted that a fixed system works if there is high demand and suggested looking at current transportation systems like the on-demand service of Wheeling and Elk Grove's Dial-a-Ride. They could possibly expand service to late afternoon and evenings, as that would offer more flexibility for folks needing service as well as the infrastructure is in place. The difficult challenges around this issue are staffing (CDL/Salaries), funding, insurance, and the like.

Commissioner Vogt suggested looking at what local churches and volunteer networks do already. Insurance and liability would also be an issue.

Commissioner Feldman noted that the session should be interesting with all of these questions.

II. Communication Report

- a. Commissioner Carter reported that the infographic and annual report are ready for viewing. There will be a banner posted in the lobby of the Senior Center, as well as postings on social media and websites.
- b. Commissioner Carter suggested that the infographic could be added to the Board of Trustees' packet.

III. Affordable Housing Report

- a. Commissioner Motto noted that the issue of the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance is still open for discussion as it was brought up at a past board meeting. Commissioner Motto noted that he spoke to a couple of Trustees about the issue and some feel that is cost shifting. Commissioner Motto urged other commissioners to speak trustee to talk with them. Bring it up two months ago at the board meeting to reconsider senior housing. Keith has a letter to the commission about that. Motto spoke with 2 trustees that are not in favor of it.

The Commission inquired how does something get on the agenda for a meeting. Commissioner Carter advised that it is the Village Manager, working with the Mayor and Board. There was some discussion if that is correct. The Senior Center Liaison will get back to the Commission on that process.

Commissioner Motto stated that the amenities can be worked out with the developer for the affordable units and encouraged the commission noting that now is the time.

Resident, Keith Moens stated on February 7 he had discussions by Trustee Grasse and Canty to revisit to putting the Senior Housing back into the agenda where they are voting to 7-1709 to amend it.

The Commission debated to send the Board another letter. Then decided for the Senior Center Manager to inquire if the board would consider the motion with the Village Manager for the agenda.

G. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

- a. Commissioner Vogt noted that March 31st is the next meeting. Forms updated for 2022, with the condition that the nominees must volunteer in the Village of Arlington Heights.
- b. The committee will focus on getting the word out with an updated mailing list. The soft deadline is June 1.
- c. Blind nominations and a rubric for scoring will also be added.

V. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

The Senior Center Manager noted that name tags will be ordered for newer Commissioners.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

B. Citizens to Be Heard

- a. Commissioner Motto noted that they need to contact Trustees, to ensure communications, putting a face to the name, and state what your thoughts are.
- b. Commissioner Adams stated that she is aware of the fact that marijuana distribution was vetoed in the Village of Arlington Heights. Then there was approval for medical, now including more recreational. Commissioner Adams strongly feels that we are enabling people to get by. Do we really want to start building stores in the community that has recreation marijuana? The Commission stated that they saw a report that sales were down in March, pressing itself out of the market and forcing people to the black market. Commissioner Motto stated that this is the issue of taxes, programs, etc; we should have answers to this to translate to increases taxes. Commissioner Adams encouraged people to speak up and be heard on this issue.

Commissioner Vogt noted that people do not realize the services they get in the Village and need to look at their tax bills to understand where their dollars are used.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRPERSON FELDMAN PROPOSED A MOTION TO ADJORN. COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS MOTIONED AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ADAMS TO ADJORN THE MARCH 21 2022 MEETING AT 8:15 PM.