



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens' Commission
Commissions Room
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd., AH 60005
January 13, 2020
7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from November 18, 2019

IV. REPORTS

- A. Chairperson
- B. Senior Center Manager
- C. Senior Impacts Reports
 - 1. Not for Profit Corporation
 - 2. Senior Center Advisory Council
 - 3. Legislation
 - 4. Age Friendly Community Certification
 - a. Results of the AARP Online Survey

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Announcements/Correspondence

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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**Senior Citizens' Commission
1/13/2020**

Item: Minutes from November 18, 2019

Department: Health & Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Also Present:

Fred Feldman, Chairman	Karen Hansen, Commission Liaison
Sharon Adams	Melissa Cayer, Resident
Nancy Frenk	
Kristyn Ramsey	
George Motto, M.D.	
Susan Viecegli	
George Weber	
Tem Williams	

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER MOTTO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RAMSEY, MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 21, 2019 MEETING. ALL CONCURRED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

IV. REPORTS

A. Chairperson

Chairperson Feldman noted that the Commission had received copies of the budget and the meeting schedule. He thanked Commissioner Ramsey for her service and wished her well on her academic career.

B. Senior Center Manager

The Senior Center was featured in a 24-minute "Closer Look" public affairs segment for KLOVE Radio (97.9 FM) that first aired on Sunday, 10/27. Karie Van Grinsven, the Program Coordinator was interviewed by the station's Manager of Regional Public Affairs, Becky Hansen, and provided an overview of the center, its agencies and the programs that are offered.

The Snow Shoveling program had gotten off to a "catch up" kind of start with snow falling before a sufficient number of students were lined up. The early snow fall on October 30 and 31 had created some concern among the senior homeowners. The Commission requested receiving the brochure so that they could help promote it.

C. Senior Impact Reports

1. Not for Profit Corporation

Arlington Heights Senior Center, Inc. had hosted a wonderful Senior Services Expo on Wednesday, November 6 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Exhibitors had voiced concern over these nontraditional hours, but "Inc." had developed and promoted the event to deliver the foot traffic. Joy LoVerde, author of "Who Will Take Care of Me When I Am Old" closed the event with an informative topical presentation. Inc. purchased enough books to provide everyone who had attended the fair with a copy of her book. Expo attendees were also treated to grilled cheese sandwiches from the Toasty Cheese food truck. Receipts were still being tallied, but it appeared that "Inc." had made a nice profit and demonstrated that seniors do attend programs after dark on cold evenings. Commissioner Williams asked how to get books to distribute to people who want them. The books are in the Senior Center.

2. Senior Center Advisory Council

The Halloween pumpkin decorating with cider and donuts had gone over very well. The November 25, 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Thanksgiving program will feature entertainment by George Holmes and Diva Montell. Donations will be accepted for the Wheeling Township Food Pantry. On December 10 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. the Des Plaines Harmonaires will provide entertainment. On December 30 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Keith & Friends will provide the entertainment at the pre-New Year's Eve party.

3. Legislation

Chairperson Feldman reported that nothing had happened in the Veto Session to the twenty-six bills he had been following.

4. Age Friendly Community Certification

684 people had filled out the AARP on line survey. Dr. Motto reported that this seemed energized and we were awaiting the results. He reported that he had sent it to the Herald and the response was that they would be interested in the results. He reported he had talked with the Tribune reporter, who had also expressed interest in the results. Commissioner Motto expressed his hopes for an action plan after the first of the year. Chairperson Feldman expressed his hopes that there would be a way of identifying what part of town the survey taker lived in. It was suggested that it might be possible to determine zip codes. Karen Hansen provided an update on the CMAP technical assistance grant. She indicated that CMAP was seeking grant match funds, something that had not been in place before. She indicated that there was consideration as to whether we would want to scale back the scope of the project.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Kenneth Hood Senior Service Award

Commissioner Weber suggested that the questionnaire (nomination form) be realigned. He reported that this award was still attracting super candidates. He noted that although he had hoped for a meeting this fall, that meeting would be better served after the first of the year.

Commissioner Williams voiced her concern that the Intergenerational program needed to be kick started. She expressed her hopes that School District 25 saw the volunteers as a resource in the school district and indicated her intent to contact Dr. Bein.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Frenk noted that she had been contacted by a local food pantry who had a large quantity of Ensure product about to expire. Commissioner Viecegli suggested Clearbrook and

Commissioner Motto suggested Journeys. Dr. Motto also noted that Ensure was like a medicine and should not be given out after date. Commissioner Williams reported that she had volumes of information on the medical alert buttons. She indicated that she was trying to reach the Chamber of Commerce to suggest that members of the Chamber of Commerce would provide a discount to seniors who produce a receipt showing that they had purchased a medical alert program. Karen Hansen noted that through the Community Program, seniors who qualified by income and therefore could not otherwise afford the medical alert program could actually get a medical alert program at no charge. She noted that Catholic Charities in the Senior Center was the starting point. Commissioner Frenk clarified that the income limit was \$1066 per month with a \$2000 asset limit. Commissioner Williams expressed interest in coordinating a program on medical alert programs. Commissioner Motto suggested a workshop.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

COMMISSIONER ADAMS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS MOVED TO CANCEL THE DECEMBER 16, 2019 MEETING. ALL CONCURRED AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VIECELLI, MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 7:35 PM. ALL CONCURRED AND THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.