

NORTHVILLE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2016
Northville Community Center

1. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Mittman at 1:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call: Dick Brown, Lesa Buckland, Richard Henningsen, Mindy Herrmann, Bob Lipmyer, Jim Mazurek, Jerry Mittman, Andrea Murdock (excused), Marilyn Price

Staff Members: Suzie Johnson

Mark Gasche – Johnson introduced the new Parks & Recreation Director. After each member of the NSAC introduced themselves, Gasche provided a brief summary of his background in Parks & Recreation and Community Services in several states during his career.

Guests: None

3. Announcements and Citizens Comments - None

4. Adoption of the Agenda

- Moved by Herrmann and seconded by Lipmyer to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

5. Approval of Minutes

- Moved by Herrmann and seconded by Henningsen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 18, 2016. Motion passed.

6. Monthly Reports

A. Participation Report

- Counts are down slightly from last year; card group participation is up 4.7% YTD.
- Part of this change attributed to unavailability of buses and lack of drivers.
- Summer programs generally are down in August because of vacations.
- Pickle ball participation is down because other facilities are now offering it
- Daytime bridge increased by 26.5% year over year.
- In total, overall participation through August was down only 2.3%.

B. Upcoming Events

- There are 17 events scheduled between now and October 19.
- Trips are sold out through Christmas.
- Information regarding Medicare will be available over the next few months at the Community Center.
- Senior Alliance will be providing detailed information and one-on-one counseling for those interested in learning more about Medicare and how to apply for it.

7. Old Business

A. New Bus Update

- First two 14 passenger buses should be available by end of October.
- Two more buses (19 & 24 passenger) should arrive in the next six months.
- Bus driver turnover has been more than expected due to injury & quits.
- Presently, there are 3 bus drivers available.

B. Donation Fund Balance

- Discussed Manville Donation Fund and its use for capital improvement only.
- City Treasurer will investigate the use of this donation money to ensure funds are used properly and get back to us prior by the next meeting.

8. New Business

A. Newsletter

- Newsletter is being printed free by LPI; they are under contract to us for two years.
- By having LPS print the Newsletter, there is a savings of about \$4,000 per year.
- Discussed possibility of placing the Newsletter online along with a few other suggestions.

B. Michigan State Fair Honored Citizen of the Year Award

- This award was presented to Jerry Mittman, Chairman, NSAC. Congrats!!

9. Reports

A. City Liaison Report – Marilyn Price

- Several roads are under construction throughout the City.
- The annual financial audit of the City has begun.

B. Township Liaison Report – Mindy Herrmann

- Long discussion of what to do with the 5 Mile and Beck Road property.
- Meeting of Township Trustees to resolve issue is being held on September 15

C. School Board Liaison Report – Jim Mazurek

- Traffic with the 6 Mile Road reconstruction has caused several bus problems.
- A RFP has been forwarded to several companies to determine what might be done with Old Village and Main Street Schools.
- “Garbage Hill” is not planned for expansion. The “Hill” is less than one mile from Ridgewood School.

D. Chairperson and Commission Member Comments - None

10. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on October 20, 2016.

11. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 2:14 PM.

Submitted by Dick Brown