

MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, November 14, 2012
Elmhurst Public Library
ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Jerri Copple, Georgia Dolan, Heide Forbush, Jackie Haddad, Grayson Haller, Kris Hansen, Cathy Jordan, Peggy LoCicero, Kathy Lorenz, Emily Moran, Kristin Sanderson, Mary Eleanor Wall, Carol Yesko

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Michael Bram, Jeff Kucera (S.A.L.T.)—ex officio, Ruth Maple, Bill von Stein, Chris White

ALSO PRESENT: Janet Driscoll (MFS), Greg Newlin (MFS), Brenda Rauch (DSSC), Maureen Wood (BrightStar)

1. The meeting was called to order by Cathy Jordan at 12:32 P.M.
2. Jackie moved that the minutes of the October 10, 2012 meeting be approved as corrected. (#3-- should read *Bacchetti*)
3. a. Cathy discussed who was originally partnering with the former hospital campus. There are concerns for the need for supportive living in Elmhurst. (Supportive living is assisted living with state rental assistance--takes Medicaid--but not a nursing home.)
b. Cathy reminded everyone that the deadline for certification for the Open Meetings Act is December 31.
c. She distributed a newspaper article about the Elmhurst Senior Commission which appeared in the Naperville Sun. Although fraught with error, the article discussed Naperville's use of us as a model for the creation of a Senior Commission.
4. **DuPage Senior Citizens Council**—Brenda provided a written report. Home maintenance—71; Chore Days—34; Well Being Checks—11,163; Meals served—15,260; total unduplicated people all programs—242. (Numbers are Elmhurst only 10/1/11-9/30/12)
5. **Metropolitan Family Services**—(written report provided—total services provided—84 for September 2012) Greg and Janet discussed that there is always an upswing in calls after the holidays when family members see loved ones after a time away and notice dramatic changes.
6. **a. Education Committee**—Jackie reported that the Community Conversation had approximately seventy in attendance. She thanked Grayson, Kathy, Heide and Cathy for assisting. She also thanked Jerri and Lexington Square for the snacks. The Committee will meet to plan the next Community Conversation in April. It was suggested that flyers be taken to Greencastle and each of the senior facilities to be posted about our events, as a way to reach people who do not get a water bill.

b. S.A.L.T.—no report

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c. Housing—Mary Eleanor reported that the committee will meet after the November 14 meeting.

d. Transportation—The Committee reported that they are going to assist Emily with her Intergeneration program (currently developing and creating a directory of programs in Elmhurst) as they await further transportation information.

e. Collaboration—Carol reported that they met to continue to evaluate the May program, as well as to discuss ideas for the 2014 conference—mental health and economics. In 2013 via email they will send out a database of agencies that serve Elmhurst seniors. This will be put on the city website also.

7. Other Business

- Cathy said that the Affordable Healthcare Act Community Conversation presentation is now on cable and streaming on the City website.
 - **THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 12:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2012 AT LEXINGTON SQUARE.**
8. There being no further business Kris moved that the meeting be adjourned. The time was 1:22 P.M.

Heide Forbush, Secretary