

MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, February 12, 2020
Elmhurst Public Library
ELMHURST SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS (PHYSICALLY) PRESENT: Gail Anderson, Adam Apostolovich, Monica Barichello, Georgia Dolan, Heide Forbush, Grayson Haller, Cathy Jordan, Ruth Maple, Pam Morrissey, Kristin Sanderson, Amy Srail, Chris White, Maureen Wood, Carol Yesko

COMMISSIONERS NOT PRESENT: Kris Hansen, Peggy LoCicero

PRESENT: Carol Crews, Metropolitan Family Services; Ralph King, DuPage Senior Citizens Council

GUESTS: Rebecca Santo, Elmhurst Extended Care; Lisa Graziano, Director of Community Relations, Artis Senior Living; Lauren Buford, Metropolitan Family Services

1. **Call to Order**—Chairman Cathy Jordan called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. with a quorum present.
2. **Public Comments**—There were no public comments.
3. **MSC** Ruth moved the minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting be approved as presented.
4. **Announcements / Correspondence**—Cathy announced that the City of Elmhurst Commissioners Recognition event will be held on March 12 at the Elmhurst Art Museum. Invitations will be sent to all commissioners. She is attending meetings pertaining to the census, and Erin will attend the March meeting to talk about the city's census plans.
5. **Special Guest**—Lisa Graziano spoke about Artis as a memory care community that also offers respite care. She will be attending meetings in the future.
6. **DuPage Senior Citizens Council**—written report provided. Elmhurst Totals: January 1-31, 2020—Meals-983; Home Maintenance-6; Well-being check-846; Seniors-75.
7. **Metropolitan Family Services**—written report provided. Carol spoke about the Stressbusters Training for Caregivers. Elmhurst Residents with open case files- January 2020-8; Walk-ins-2; Information and referral calls-12; Total Elmhurst residents served—22. Support group-8; Community Events, Outreach, SALT—17; Clinical Educational and Community Presentations and Trainings—20. Trends--IRS Tax preparation resources, housing information, transportation, respite services. Carol announced she was leaving MFS.

8. Committee Reports:

- a. **Transportation**—Ruth said that they have not met with Tom Trosien yet.
 - b. **Collaboration**—Kristin said invitations will be sent in March. Debbie McKenzie, Senior Services Manager, Center for Senior Citizens, Glendale Heights will speak on senior center resources and activities.
 - c. **Education**—Heide reported that a program on the census could not be planned and executed in time. Potential dates for programs are October 3 or 10, 2020—Aging in Place Pros and Cons (working title) and March 13 or 20, 2021—DuPage Forest Preserve—Senior Programs (working title).
 - d. **Housing**—no report.
9. **Other Business**—
- a. Carol reported that EWAN is noticing seniors are needing money for medicine, car expenses and utilities. They are also offering some assistance for dental needs.
 - b. Cathy recognized Rebecca. Elmhurst Extended Care will provide the folders for the Collaboration Event in May. Elmhurst Extended Care will break ground in the Spring with an anticipated 12-18-month timeline for construction. Beds will increase from 82 to 104.
 - c. **Speaker's Bureau**—Georgia said that a speaker's bureau outline is in the works with a power point presentation.
 - d. **Adjournment**—There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE 1:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020
ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Heide Forbush, Secretary

