



Commission on Senior Issues

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Meeting Minutes – University City Commission on Senior Issues May 19, 2014

Location: Heman Park Community Center

Attendees Present: Abbie Carter, Eleanor Mullin, Margaret Diekemper, Mary Hart, William Thomas, Everyln Hollowell, Mayor Shelley Welsch (council Liaison) and LaRette Reese (staff Liaison), Floyce Scherrer was also present

Excused: Sue Slater

Ms. Margie Diekemper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call was done by Ms. LaRette Reese

Approval of Agenda:

Ms. Abbie Carter moved to approve the meeting agenda; it was seconded by Ms. Eleanor Mullin. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Eleanor Mullin moved to approve the meeting minutes; it was seconded by Mr. William Thomas. The motion passed.

Guest speaker, Ms. Floyce Scherrer, shared information on the newly formed Mid-County Village movement. The team is looking for ideas and people to join now at the ground level. This is a new concept so they are still working to define exactly what the village will look like. Commission members shared their thoughts, ideas and concerns for such an organization. Ms. Scherrer will send Mayor Welsch information on the Mid-County Village and the Mayor will include in her newsletter and posted on her face book page to help get the word out.

Unfinished Business

- A representative from the Crowne Center to come to join a meeting to share information about their facility and services. - Ms. Hollowell is working with Carmen on a date, possibly the July meeting.
- A representative from The Brentmoor to join a meeting to share information about their facility and services. - Ms. Hart shared that Denise cannot attend at this time. She gave information to Ms. Hart and she shared the data with the group.
- Members re-visited the idea of adding a flyer to the refuse bill to let residents know that Commission is up and functioning.

New Business

There was discussion around two major areas of concern for seniors; transportation and communication.

- Transportation is a little difficult to tackle. Members will continue to think about ways to help with transportation issues.
- Members feel communication is an area where they can affect change in the short term. There was brainstorming around creating a website, a flyer insert to be mailed with refuse bill, placing a re-occurring article in the ROARS newsletter and setting up an email and/or voicemail account.

Next Meeting: Monday June 16th at 6:00 PM. – Heman Park Community Center

- Lori Fiegel will present on the St. Louis County Senior survey results
- Draft ideas for the newsletter and the flyer insertion to be mailed trash bill

Actions / Follow-Up Items:

- Ms. Hollowell will check with Carman from the Crowne Center about attending the July meeting.
- Flyer layout and ideas for trash bill insert – Ms. Diekemper, Ms. Hart and anyone that has an idea.
- Mr. Walker’s approval to have a small re-occurring space in the ROARS newsletter – LaRette
- Mr. Walker’s approval & process to setup an email and voicemail account for senior services – LaRette
- Mr. Thomas & Ms. Carter will attend the public budget hearing on 5/27 to speak on behalf of this commission re: a part-time person to staff a senior resources phone line.
- Contact Garrier Burr about creating a website and attending a meeting – Ms. Diekemper
- Contact the STL Village representative to invite them to join the July meeting to share details about their program. – Mr. Thomas
- Send contact information for the religious leaders to Ms. Scherrer - LaRette

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25p.m.