

Senior Commission Meeting

October 4, 2022

Minutes

The Senior Commission met on Tuesday October 4, 2022 in the Senior Center. Commission Chairman, Carole Lowery called the meeting at 9:00. Those present were Ann Alfano, Roberta Britton, La Fondria Brown, Jerry Chancey, Carolyn Connor, Debbie Doering, Pat Helfrich, Carl Knutson, Carol Lowery, Hector Nunez, Gene Royce, Lisa Smith, Brenda Stokes, Rosemary Wall, Carol Wagner and Tom Wilkinson. Excused were Dennise Lafferre and John Jaworski.

Peggy stated Rosemary Wall has agreed to join the Senior Commission and that Carol Wagner has committed to another three-year term.

MINUTES

The minutes to the October meeting were read by Carol Lowery. The minutes were approved by Lisa Smith and seconded by Jerry Chancey.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was read by Jerry Chancey. Jerry stated all charges and statement had balanced with no outstanding checks. Peggy stated that the balance will start going down with all the New Year's Eve decorations we have to purchase. Peggy also stated we are doing very well since the pandemic that funds are holding out. The Treasury report was approved by La Fondria Brown and seconded by Brenda Stokes.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor's Town Hall Recap: Mayor's Town Hall Recap was passed out.

- Attendance: We had 180 Seniors
- Breakfast: Catering To You. Everyone enjoyed the food.
- Organizations: Peggy stated this was one of the best Town Hall Meetings.
- Drinks: We need to have 10 double orange juice, 2 regular and 1 decaf coffee, we only need one water. Next year we will try a small pot borrowed from the dining center to make hot water for hot tea.
- Gift Cards: The Mayor gave out 15 gift cards, and everyone agreed that went very well.
- Suggestions: Maybe we could give each guest an agenda on what the Mayor will be discussing with dates.
- Also, it was suggested we do something about the long walk into the Eagan Center. Peggy stated she is working on how to make this better not only for this event but all events.

Hermann Trip Recap: Senior Commission members who attended thought that Hermann was a great trip. They were just disappointed that the bus was late and that threw off the whole day, which caused the food to be cold and tours shortened. They all agreed they would take that trip again.

NEW BUSINESS:

River City Casino Trip: We are sold out and have a waiting list.

Halloween Party & Bingo:

Took attendance for setup on Wednesday October 26th 2:00pm & Halloween Party 9:00am.

- Ticket Sales: Monday October 3, 2022
- Agenda: 10:15 Costume Contest, 10:45 Entertainment Miss Jubilee, 11:45 Give A-Way Attendance Prizes, 12:00 Eat Lunch, 1:00 Play Bingo.
- Commission members who volunteered to be judges for Halloween contest La Fondria Brown, Pat Helfrich, Debbie Doering and Brenda Stokes.
- Decorations: Fall flowers and pumpkins will be on the tables, Halloween sprays will be on the bleachers and mums on the stage. Peggy stated she will be taking inventory on different color tablecloths we have. Peggy will then purchase what colors are needed. We will be doing fall colors, not our typical orange and black.
- Entertainment: Miss Jubilee
- Lunch: Tornatores a cup of savory chili and Gus's Pretzels pretzel deli sandwich.
- Snack: Individual bags of pretzel bites.
- Drinks: Coffee, Iced Tea and Water
- Attendance Prizes: Lisa Smith was to get 10 mums donated By Arch Well Health
- Bingo Prizes: Lisa Smith got gift cards donated from various nursing homes, and local businesses that will use for Bingo prizes.

Dogs & Doozles: Will take place at Sunset Nature Lodge on Tuesday November 15, 2022 10:30am-1:30pm. This will be a ticketed event with only 60 tickets being sold due to space.

- Tickets: \$10:00 R and \$15.00 NR
- Presentation from CHAMPS assistance dogs
- Lunch Chili's Restaurant Hamburger, Fries & Doozles Ice Cream

New Year's Eve:

- Entertainment: The St. Charles Big Band
- Decorations: Disco theme, silver table skirting we ordered and received for the bars & misc. tables sitting around.
- Centerpieces: Glass cylinder vase with colored lights and a glass disco ball sitting on top. These will be sitting on square mirrors. We may add some feathered boas around the top of the vase. More will be discussed at the November Senior Commission Meeting.
- Tablecloths: Not all commission members could decide on the best color. This will be discussed at the November Commission Meeting.
- Appetizers: Ideas were discussed about individual or on the table for everyone to share. It was agreed that individual would be best. Lisa Smith recommended that we ask one of the Nursing/Retirement homes to sponsor our appetizers. This will be discussed at the November Senior Commission Meeting.
- Drinks: Will be discussed at the November Commission Meeting.
- Donation letters will be sent out in November

2023 Calendar:

Peggy stated that our 2023 calendar will be due on October 7, 2022. This calendar is ready to be given out at our Halloween Party.

The meeting was moved to adjourn by Lisa Smith and seconded by Carol Wagner. The minutes taken by Kathy Biondo