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COMMISSION ON AGING - MINUTES

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

10am– 12pm

Zimmerman Room, Human Services Building
3255 122nd Avenue, Suite 200 – Allegan, MI

Public Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82375478232?pwd=NnNsUEhwZnhWVlFPNjAvNkRZNjkzZz09>

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Larry Ladenburger at 10:04 am

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Dean Kapenga, Larry Ladenburger, Alice Kelsey, Stuart Peet, Lou Phelps, Mary Campbell, Rich Butler, Pat Petersen, Sally Heavener

ABSENT:

OTHER: Sherry Owens, Maria Hawk, Laura Hosler, Dan Wedge

COMMUNICATIONS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Sally, Supported by Dean. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Larry Ladenburger added Dan Wedge to speak on the hiring status of a new director at end of the meeting to the agenda. Approval of amended agenda moved by Alice Kelsey, supported by Mary Campbell. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS: Laura Hosler from Greenstreet Marketing (**Attachment F**) presented marketing report for senior services so far in 2023.

- Senior Service post card will go out in August
- Unaddressed copies will be available to disperse as needed

Mission Statement

“Dedicated to serving Allegan County seniors by developing and coordinating services that support their independence, maintain their dignity, and preserve their quality of life”

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**-Director's Report (Attachment B):**

- Continued work on an email newsletter for interested seniors
 - Will send e-newsletter in lieu of physical newsletter
- Contingency Plans for PERS and ADC
 - Sherry suggested that a Connect America representative come and speak about a contingency plan
 - Sherry and Adult Daycare team will continue to work on contingency plan

-COA Calendar (Attachment D):

- Senior day at the fair is Tuesday, September 12
 - COA talked about options for breakfast if pancakes are not an option

ACTION ITEMS: None**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- AAAWM Annual Report (**Attachment F**)
 - AAAWM presentation tentative for October to present on the Needs Assessment and answer questions
- COA Road Show Opportunity (**Attachment G**)
 - Develop COA "Road Show" that includes "Cost savings" associated with services
 - There is an opportunity for the COA to have a table in Hopkins at the Senior Information Fair in August.
 - Pat Petersen will be present at the event
- Rich asked about a PowerPoint presentation for Senior Services that the COA could use for events
 - Larry mentioned adding the presentation to a flash drive for the presentation to make it easy and accessible for events
- Dan Wedge addressed the status of hiring a new Director for Senior Services
 - Interviews will begin in the last week of July
 - Sherry will continue to be available until onboarding of new director

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS: There is an open seat for the AAAWM Advisory Council

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- COA will discuss Social Wellness of seniors in Allegan County
 - August meeting will focus on Senior groups and activities available to seniors in Allegan County
- RFP for Adult Daycare

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

AAAWM Board of Directors: Stuart Peet gave an update

AAAWM Advisory Council: There is a vacancy for this position

ADJOURNMENT: Ladenburger moved to adjourn 12:00pm.

Next Meeting: August 16, 2023 10:00 am-12:00pm in the Zimmerman Room