

Elgin Township Committee on Seniors
729 S. McLean Blvd Elgin, IL 60123
Meeting of October 4, 2018 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Elgin Township Committee on Seniors was held on October 4, 2018 in Meeting Room A of the Elgin Township Building. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rich Jacobs at 4:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Cherie Aschenbrenner, William Baker, Jane Barbosa, James Fox, Ginny Goyer, Pat Hudgens, Rich Jacobs, Jerri McCue, and Mary Roberti were present. Quorum was established. Trustee Vern Tepe was present as the Board liaison.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Jim Fox moved to have the minutes of the September 6, 2018, regular meeting of the Committee on Seniors approved as presented. Pat Hudgens seconded the motion. The motion carried 9-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Permanent monthly meeting date and time: Due to her meeting schedule, Cherie Aschenbrenner requested that the established meeting date of the first Thursday of the month be changed to the fourth Thursday of the month. The time of 4:00pm would stay the same. Pat Hudgens made the motion to honor Cherie Aschenbrenner's request to move the meeting date to the fourth Thursday of the month and keep the time as 4:00pm. Jim Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried 9-0-0. **NOTE**: The next scheduled meeting, November 22, is Thanksgiving. Everyone agreed to re-schedule the meeting to Thursday, November 29, 4:00pm.
2. Discussion of Mission of the Committee on Seniors: Before developing a formal mission statement for the committee, it was deemed necessary to gather information and facts about the Elgin Township senior community.
 - a. Population: Vern Tepe presented Elgin Township counts by age from the American FactFinder website, based on a population of 104,700
 1. Age 55 years and over = 24,608
 2. Age 60 years and over = 18,189
 3. Age 62 years and over = 16,232
 - b. Age determination: It was agreed that different age criteria is applied across agencies, businesses, and townships
 - c. Residential distribution: Vern Tepe distributed a map which identifies the boundaries of Elgin Township and denotes the abutting townships; namely, Dundee and Rutland (north), St. Charles (south), Hanover (east), and Plato (west)
 - d. Asset requirements: No agreement was reached on whether or not the Referendum was targeted for seniors with limited income or was to be used for all Township senior residents
 - e. Program gaps: Cherie Aschenbrenner distributed the results of the survey she sent to her email list (approximately 900). Sixty-three (63) responded with a list of events and technology requests to be considered

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ethics Certification: As a public body as defined by the Opens Meeting Act (OMA), the Committee on Seniors may be required to complete an online training course and receive a certificate of completion. Rich Jacobs is going to confirm this requirement and notify the committee by email. [Note: another reminder not to "Reply All" to emails was made in accordance with OMA requirements.]
2. Miscellaneous Business: To continue our discussion on the mission of the committee, results of the following research actions would be presented at the next meeting:
 - a. Bill Baker – comparison of age criteria and senior services offered by our neighboring townships

- b. Jim Fox – sharing of results of the meeting between the Senior Services Associates and the Laotian community
- c. Jane Barbosa – discussion with Jaime Garcia, Executive Director of Centro de Informacion, to understand unique needs of the Hispanic community
- d. Ginny Goyer – sharing of services and respective criteria that are currently being offered by the Senior Services Associates
- e. Rich Jacobs and Pat Hudgens – information on the mechanics necessary to distribute a survey from the Elgin Township
- f. Mary Roberti – research on the residential distribution of Elgin Township seniors (where do seniors live)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Next general meeting of the Committee on Seniors is scheduled for Thursday November 29, 2018, 4:00 pm. at the Township offices, 729 S McLean Blvd., Elgin Illinois 60123.
- 2. The next TRIAD event is scheduled for October 17, 10am – noon, in the Heritage Ballroom at The Centre. Registration is requested by calling the Township, 847-741-2045

ADJOURNMENT

Pat Hudgens moved to adjourn, seconded by Jim Fox. Motion carried 9-0-0. Meeting adjourned 5:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Roberti.

Mary Roberti, Secretary	Date
Rich Jacobs, Chairman	Date
Pat Hudgens, Vice-Chairman	Date
Cherie Aschenbrenner	Date
William Baker	Date
Jane Barbosa	Date
James Fox	Date
Ginny Goyer	Date
Jerri McCue	Date