

**SENIOR CITIZENS' COMMISSION
MINUTES OF March 19, 2024, MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER:

Ronald Wehrmann, Treasurer, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Commission Members:

Present: Catherine Dumke, Karen McLeod, Pamela Solomon, Janet Weber, Ronald Wehrmann, Donald Witt, and Heidi Uhlig-Johnstone (Helm Life Center), constituting a quorum.

Absent: Karen Everham and Kevinn Quasarano.

Rita O'Farrell, the City of GPW Recreation and Event Programmer, and City Council Representative Vicki Granger were also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Karen McLeod, seconded by Janet Weber, to approve the minutes of the Senior Citizens' Commission meeting held on January 16, 2024. Said motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Heidi Uhlig-Johnstone advised that the Senior Expo will again be held at Assumption Center on Thursday, October 17, 2024. We, as well as the GPW Parks & Recreation Department, are invited to have a table at the event.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Plans for Friday, May 17, 2024, Ice Cream Social, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

1. Vicki Granger advised that Kathy Ryan agreed to provide entertainment again this year. She will present after attendees have gotten their ice cream.
2. Pamela Solomon advised that Wally's, by far, has the best price for the ice cream compared to other providers contacted in the community. Rita Farrell will handle the arrangements with Wally's. She will also provide the toppings.
3. Ron Wehrman will obtain Kroger gift cards.
4. It is anticipated that, again this year, unsold plants from the City's plant sale will be available as prizes. All other prizes should be provided to Rita Farrell by the day prior to the event.

5. GPW Public Safety Director Kosanke will provide a brief presentation at approximately 2:15 PM.
6. Pens with ink that cannot be washed out, along with an explanatory note regarding their use, will be provided to attendees.
7. Small bottles of water will be provided (as well as a container to recycle empty bottles).
8. Both rooms will be used for the event (12 tables).
9. At the sign in table upon entry to the event, attendees will receive a ticket for prizes.
10. The Helm will have an information table at the event.
- 11. Commission Members are requested to arrive by 1:00 PM on the day of the event to assist with set up.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Janet Weber, seconded by Pamela Solomon, that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM.

The next meeting of this Commission will be held following the Ice Cream Social, on Friday, May 17, 2024, at 3:30 PM, at Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center -Community Center – Lake Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Dumke, Secretary