

**SENIOR CITIZENS' COMMISSION
MINUTES OF July 16, 2024, MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER:

Ron Wehrmann, Treasurer, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Commission Members:

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

Absent: Kevin Quasarano

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Weber, seconded by McLeod, to approve the minutes of the Senior Citizens' Commission meeting held on May 17, 2024. Said motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: In further review of Ice Cream Social held May 17, 2024, and Director Kosanke's presentation warning of check washing, it should be noted that this Commission provided a gel pen, with directions for its use to prevent check washing, to each attendee of this event.

NEW BUSINESS

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 Seniors' Picnic at Lakefront Park on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Plans for the picnic include lunch to again be provided by National Coney, ice cream by Wally's, with the Commission to provide chips and beverages. Bingo, with prizes, as well as a presentation by Rita O'Farrell about GPW trips and outings (she will bring flyers), are anticipated.

Request for Funds for Picnic

Motion by Wehrmann, seconded by Weber, that a request for funds in the amount of \$1,800 be submitted to the City Council to cover the expenses of the September 18, 2024, Senior Picnic. Said motion passed unanimously.

Request for immediate certification

Motion by Solomon, seconded by Uhlig-Johnstone, to recommend to the Mayor the immediate certification of the previous motion for request for funds of \$1,800 to cover the expenses of the September 18, 2024, Senior Picnic. Said motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Ron Wehrmann, presented his report to the Commission, advising of the present account balance of \$7,663.47. He presented a brief history of the origins of the account and suggested that there be further discussion at future meetings as to the possible use of these funds.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Solomon, seconded by Weber, that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM.

The next meeting of this Commission will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at 1:00 PM, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Lakefront Park, following the picnic.

It is requested that, on the day of the picnic, Committee Members arrive at the park at 10:00 AM to assist with set up for the event.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Dumke, Secretary