JUNEAU COMMISSION ON AGING WORKGROUP SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES



June 11, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Zoom Webinar

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – JCOA Chair Deb Craig called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Present: Deborah Craig, Linda Kruger, Kimberly Adkison, Carol Ende

Absent:

Others Present: Sue Nielson, AARP

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Agenda was approved as amended.

Chair Craig mentioned that agendas and supplemental materials must be submitted to CBJ one week in advance of meetings.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

May 21, 2024 JCOA Workgroup Subcommittee Meeting Minutes - Draft

D. AGENDA TOPICS

Community Center Working Group – Marie Drake Proposal

Chair Craig described the ongoing situation with community (and CBJ) proposals for the use of Marie Drake. Chair Craig has been engaged in a collaborative effort to see how groups can work together to make the best use of the facility. Parks and Rec and the Juneau Arts and Culture Center are both interested in working with JCOA on programming for seniors. Chair Craig emphasized that JCOA isn't interested in managing the facility but rather is interested in maximizing programing for senior activities. Other interested parties include the Association for the Education of Young Children (AEYC), Makerspace, the Planetarium, Friends of the Library, and Juneau Arts and Culture Center. The JCOA and AARP would like access to office space, classroom space for programs and classes and use of the gym for senior programming like indoor walking, pickleball, etc. Parks and Rec is interested in storage and workshop space to replace the City Shop at Mt. Jumbo Gym. The Mt. Jumbo Gym location could be used for housing. Carol suggested we support universal building design so that housing would be senior and disability friendly.

Work on JCOA Brochure for Public Dissemination -

- Chair Craig acknowledged that our draft brochure was already outdated. She offered to update it and asked for ideas and suggestions. The group suggested adding the logo and website address. An updated draft will be sent to everyone to review. Chair Craig suggested using the brochure to highlight JCOA priorities: recreation and socialization; universal housing; and Age-Friendly planning. Sue mentioned she is especially interested and concerned with social isolation following COVID. It seems like many people haven't come back into being interactive in the community.
- Carol has been updating the JCOA website. Chair Craig thanked Carol for stepping up to take on the website. She added a new Senior highlight and info on senior housing. Carol expressed appreciation for the work Kathleen Samalon did on writing up the housing information. Carol asked Sue to review the Resources that are listed and make suggestions. Sue agreed to do that. The Senior Resource Guide will have a home on the JCOA webpage where it is accessible and can be kept up.

E. NEXT MEETING DATES

JCOA Regular Commission Meeting - June 18, 2024 at 3pm via Zoom JCOA Workgroup Subcommttee Meeting - June 25, 2024 at 3pm via Zoom JCOA Workgroup Subcommttee Meeting - July 9, 2024 at 3pm via Zoom JCOA Regular Commission Meeting - July 16, 2024 at 3pm via Zoom JCOA Workgroup Subcommttee Meeting - July 23, 2024 at 3pm via Zoom

F. SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS -

G. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the commission, meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.