

CITY OF MENASHA
COMMITTEE ON AGING
MINUTES
February 11, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Pat Irwin at 1:04 PM

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

Present: Pat Irwin, Bea Kohanski, Kristine Hutter, Chloe Hansen-Dunn

Absent: Tom Stoffel

Staff Present: Leah McCormick, Larissa Keller

C. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. Committee on Aging Meeting Minutes January 14, 2022

Kristine Hutter motioned to approve the January 14, 2022 minutes, motion was seconded by Bea Kohanski. The motion passed.

D. CORRESPONDENCE

Emails and responses were reviewed. In response to the City Sidewalk Ordinance correspondence, Pat made contact cards to put out at some local senior living facilities.

E. REPORT OF DEPT HEADS/STAFF/CONSULTANTS

1. Public Health

- a. COVID-19 Update: Kristine Hutter reported that cases within the City remain at the “critically high” burden level, however case counts have been declining. Older adults in the area are the most heavily vaccinated population and are seeing the lowest percentage of cases.

- b. Sixty Plus Grant – Programs Update: Meghan Pauly reported that she provided 8 services to 8 people in the month of January. January service offerings included blood pressure checks/wellness room, Memory Café, and memory screening. The January Lunch & Learn was canceled and will be rescheduled at a later date.

2. Senior Center

- a. Senior Center Operations/Programming Update: Chloe Hansen-Dunn reported that the Menasha Senior Center had 135 unique visitors in the month of January. In January, the Center saw 393 visits for 412 services, 76 YMCA services, and 4 volunteers for a total of 6 volunteer hours. There will be a marketing intern starting volunteer hours in March. He will be assisting with the Center’s website and social media content as well as some clerk duties.

3. Announcements: Meghan Pauly will begin the 7-week “Stepping On” fall prevention and balance class on March 22nd. Walking Club will begin on May 6th and Tai Chi will begin on May 10th. Memory screenings continue to take place on the third Wednesday of the month. The Library will present its new “Makers Space” at the Lunch & Learn on March 4th. The Senior Center will host a Valentine’s Day social on February 14th and Bingo on February 25th. The Center will be participating in the Be Active Wisconsin Community Challenge in the month of March, and Leah McCormick will be leading a “Stand Up and Move More” class beginning in April.

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

Bea Kohanski questioned the idea of a community garden in the area. Chloe and Leah will look into possible raised garden space at the Senior Center.

G. NEW BUSINESS

None

H. HELD OVER BUSINESS

1. COA Vacancies (3): No update.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Chloe Hansen-Dunn motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:46 PM. The motion was seconded by Bea Kohanski. The motion passed.

Next meeting: March 11, 2022 at 1:00 PM
Menasha City Hall
100 Main Street, Room 132
Menasha, WI