

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) Minutes

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Present: Phyllis Budin, Brenda Cooley (chair), Bunny Fitzgerald, Karen Haseley (City Liaison), Edward Hickey, Paula Scott Luddy, Betty Timer (chair elect), Silke Pope (Council Liaison)

Not in Attendance: Henry Haslinger (Secretary), Oyinkansola Odebo, Frank Pearlman, David West, Paula Williams

Guest: Harriett Phelps

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair, Brenda Cooley. The agenda was approved (moved by: Betty Timer, seconded by Bunny Fitzgerald). The minutes of the August 29th meeting were approved as corrected (moved by: Bunny Fitzgerald, seconded by Brenda Cooley).

OLD BUSINESS: There was a discussion regarding the recent 2015 Open Forum. Pleasure was expressed by many people concerning the quality of ideas of the participants. Some disappointment was expressed about the small number of people attending and the lack of City staff. A lengthy discussion regarding the items for the annual open forum report ensued. These ideas will be presented at the next meeting.

Widowed Persons update: A report sent in from Frank Pearlman stated the first of six sessions is scheduled to be held at the Bowie Senior Center on Thursday, October 1 from 2:00 to 4:00. It will continue until November 5.

FORA/GAIL: The upcoming events are: Board Walk Health Fair at the Community Center is on October 20 from 10:00-2:00 which includes flu shots, Free Family Flu clinic is at Spring Hill Lake Recreation Center on October 28 from 1:00 to 7:00, free produce distribution begins again at the Spring Hill Lake Elementary School on November 5 from 2:30- 3:30, and the Greenbelt Cares Mental Health screening week is November 9-11 and at Green Ridge House on November 13 from 1:00-3:00. The October Gail Guide was distributed to those in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS: Nominations of Officers. Three members have agreed to share the secretary position. They are: Phyllis Budin, Bunny Fitzgerald, and Brenda Cooley. The chair elect position is not yet determined. Chair-elect Betty Timer will assume the Chair position. Election of Officers will be at the October meeting.

Announcements: Karen Haseley reviewed the Active Aging events and attendance as well as giving highlights of the upcoming events. There is a Contra Dance on Saturday, October 3 from 7:00- 9:00pm with beginner instructions beginning at 6:30pm.

The motion to adjourn was moved by Bunny Fitzgerald and seconded by Brenda Cooley.

Next Meeting – October 28, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betty Timer, Chair-elect