

**Hanover Township Senior Center
Computer Lab
Meeting of the Senior Citizens' Services Committee
Monday, May 9, 2022 – 1:00 P.M.**

- **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Vice President Larry Bretz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call: Carla Fruhauf, Larry Bretz, Walter Gramiak (via Zoom), Peggy Bucaro, Tom Lathara

Lynn Nelles, - Present. Absent: Naomi Walters-Lenoci

Guests: Diana Gomez, Marilyn Perri, Megan Conway, Trustee Craig Essick, Amanda Teachout- Mental Health Board Manager

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment- None

Reports

- **Chairperson's Report**

Larry did not have anything to report. He introduced Amanda Teachout—she is the recipient of this month's recognition. She pitches in wherever and whenever needed. We appreciate her help. Amanda gave us an overview of what the Mental Health Board does and explained the many services that are funded/overseen by the Board. She shared the most recent Resource Guide from the MH Board.

Treasurer's Report

Carla shared the monthly report ending March- starting balance \$63,838; ending balance \$72,211. Motion made to accept by Peggy; seconded by Thomas- all agreed.

The Treasurer's report reflects our 2021-2022 Year End numbers.

Trustee Liaison's Report

Trustee Essick advised that he had recently attended a meeting of the Townships of Illinois Lobbyists. It is encouraging not to eliminate township government. They invite people to see what the Senior Committee and Hanover Township oversee. The Board thanks all who contribute. The counties could not handle or do what Hanover Township does.

Director's Report

April 1, 2022 begins the next fiscal year. We are excited to see the uptick in attendance at the various activities at the Senior Center. Rib Day at the Café was a record 195 meals!!

The AARP Income Tax program ended April 13th—it was well attended and people appreciate the service that is offered. Social Services recently prepared the Request for

Qualifications from the Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County (CEDA) and will continue to serve as an intake site for LIHEAP, PIPP and other energy programs. They can also assist with water assistance if needed.

The Nutrition Department was able to add a 7th HDM route – better to serve the residents in our area.

The Center hosted a dinner for Vets on April 19 and over 125 veterans attended. Great event! Thank you for your service.

The Township Board of Trustees passed a resolution on May 2 recognizing May as Older American Month and on May 31st there will be a special event “Celebrating Seniors” and on May 18 the staff will host a meet and greet for residents to meet the staff members.

Megan was able to attend the American Society on Aging (ASA) Annual Conference in New Orleans 4/10 – 4/14—able to attend many informative sessions and gather important information to bring back to the staff.

Unfinished Business

Fundraisers- Peggy asked for clarification of the amount raised at the Brianna’s event-at the last meeting it was mentioned around \$150—Megan will doublecheck and advise.

Café Cruisin’ – My Cocina May 12;

Eli’s Cheesecake Fundraiser- July – a draft of the flyer was in packet. We tweaked a few items on the form—will finalize at next meeting. Carla will doublecheck the price with Eli’s-if their price goes up, they will hold our price firm; if it goes down our price will go down also. If the price is ok, Marilyn would like 100 for HDM.

New Business

Motion was made to approved the 4/11/22 meeting minutes by Carla; seconded by Walter. All approved.

Commercial Dishwasher- a discussion was held regarding this topic. Right now not leaking—there is a need for some more parts. There is a concern about supply chain issues if the d/w breaks down and we have to wait for a new d/w to be installed. A motion was made that we would allocate \$5,000 to cover the cost of a new d/w (if repairs aren’t an option) – motion made by Peggy, seconded by Thomas – all agreed.

American Flags in all Senior Center rooms- Larry is in favor of purchasing additional flags so that each room has a flag. Trustee Essick commented that he did not feel it was appropriate to have a flag in each room if not required for a meeting. It was discussed that if a flag is needed in a room for a public meeting that information should be part of the

“meeting set up” form. It takes away from the significance of the flag. If a flag is required and it is not there at time of meeting; maintenance can be contacted to be sure that it is there. It was decided that we would purchase one more flag for use in the Center- Megan will look for this item. A motion was made to purchase one American Flag not to exceed \$200 – Motion made by Peggy; seconded by Carla – all approved.

Ye Olde Gift Shoppe- special promotions for May ½ price frames and jewelry.
Café Cruisin’ - 120 Live – June 22

(NOTE: Naomi joined the meeting via cell phone)

Election of Officers FY 2022-23 – After nominations made and accepted—the new Board is as follows:

Chairperson- Larry Bretz

Vice Chair – Peggy Bucaro

Treasurer – Carla Fruhauf

Secretary – Thomas Lathara

Thank you for those who have already served and will serve the next year.

Other Business

Open items: Megan will check on the items that the Committee voted to fund – New Christmas tree for upstairs and larger monitor for upstairs—a new coffee pot was already purchased and being used.

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn by Peggy Bucaro, Seconded by Carla Fruhauf – all agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Bucaro, Secretary
Hanover Township Senior Advisory Committee