

**Hanover Township Senior Center
Computer Room
Meeting of the Senior Citizens' Services Committee
Monday, April 10, 2023 – 1:00 PM**

Call to Order and Roll Call

- Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Peggy Bucaro at 1:00 PM on Monday, April 10, 2023
- The roll call was conducted by Tom Lathara, Secretary.
- Present: Naomi Walters-Lenoci, Walter Gramiak, Lynn Nelles, Tom Lathara, Peggy Bucaro, Peggy Deyne, Craig Essick.
- Absent: Larry Bretz.
- Present (Aging Services Team): Megan Conway, Lisa Perone, Dino Kazeos.
- Public: Clint Baker, Harshad Patel.
- Pledge of Allegiance
Vice Chairperson Peggy Bucaro led the pledge of allegiance recitation.

Swearing-in of Peggy Deyne

- Hanover Township clerk Katy Dolan Baumer administered swearing-in of Peggy Deyne to Hanover Township Senior Services Committee. Welcome and Congratulations, Peggy.

Public Comments:

- Peggy Bucaro welcomed guests and thanked everyone for taking time to attend the meeting.

Reports

- **Chairperson's Report**

All the service offerings, client participation and other metrics look excellent. Congratulations, Aging Services team for the wonderful job.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Monthly report ending February 2023

Lynn Nelles presented the monthly report ending February 2023.

Income - \$24,906.64 Expense - \$14869.55

Net Income - \$ 10,037.09 Ending Fund Balance - \$ 81,737

This accounts for 92% of the fiscal year.

A motion was moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented by Naomi Walters-Lenoci seconded by Walter Gramiak.

Absent : Larry Bretz, Abstained : Peggy Deyne.

All other members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

- **Trustee Liaison's Report**

Trustee Liaison Craig Essick reported that the budget was lowered by 8.5%. He also stated that the building next door was making progress albeit slowly. There may be some delays due to issues with the contractor. He will arrange for a senior Committee tour of the facility when the construction work is completed. This date will be announced later.

The foundation fundraiser will be on Thursday June 1st. This Mexican themed event will be conducted at the veteran's hall. The Ticket will be \$50 and details to follow. Naomi announced that there are many items from the gift shop that will be donated towards the fundraiser.

- **Director's Report**

Director Megan Conway presented the report.

- Megan reminded that Aging services do monitor all the comments in the suggestion box and try to implement viable recommendations as much as possible.
- The coffee bar in the reception hall has now relocated to a more convenient area. It is expected that the guests will get better access to the coffee in this new roomier location.
- Recruiting Home care assistants is proving to be a difficult task. This position is now advertised as a full-time position unlike the previous part-time role.
- The annual volunteer event is planned for April 13 Thursday starting at 10:30 am.
- The March financials will be available for review during our May meeting.
- Several special events are starting to resume at the senior center. During March, Aging services welcomed the Human Services Auxiliary staff. International women's day was celebrated in partnership with the American association of retired Asians on March 8th.
- The nutrition services provided catering services for the Supervisor's community services award on March 25th and the job fair on March 29th.

Unfinished Business

- Upcoming Fundraiser events
 - Cafe Cruisin': O'Hare Pub April 18
 - Cafe Cruisin': Marco 's Pizza April
 - Cafe Cruisin': Cherry on Top May 11
 - Cafe Cruisin': Pasta Mia June 14

New Business

- **Minutes:**

Vice Chairperson Peggy Bucaro presented the last meeting minutes for discussion and approval. A motion was moved to approve the March 13 Monday 2023 regular meeting minutes by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Walter Gramiak.

Absent: Larry Bretz, Abstained: Peggy Deyne.

All other members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

- **Recognition**

It was decided to provide facility and maintenance staff light refreshments like Donut/Coffee during extreme weather as a mark of collective recognition. A motion was moved to approve the above proposal by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Lynn Nelles.

Absent: Larry Bretz

All other members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

Other Business

- Due to non-availability township bus for the April 25th Polish churches trip, with required capacity, Lisa Perone requested help to pay for a 38 - passenger bus. The charter company has offered a bus for the day at the cost of \$1,138.50. A motion was moved to approve \$1,138.50 payment towards the above request by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Lynn Nelles.

Absent: Larry Bretz

All other members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

- **Eli's Cheesecake fundraiser**

- Naomi Walters-Lenoci agreed to assume the responsibility of partnering with the vendor and assisting with the fundraiser. This role was previously handled by Carla. Thank you, Naomi.

- **Notice of Election of Office**

Megan stated that since all the current officers are in their first term, they can continue in the same role for the next year unless otherwise desired.

- **Round Table**

The Vice Chairperson Peggy Bucaro introduced the round table event, where every attendee is given an opportunity to make a recommendation.

Peggy B: Consider starting a garden club.

Lisa: All are welcome to participate in the July 29th Parade and planning.

Clint: Please donate the unsold/overstock items from the gift shop to Gail Borden library. Are aware of the partnership. Also, consider silent auctions of gift shop items.

Lynn: Consider arranging plots for gardening in summer.

Naomi: Greatly appreciate all the gift shop volunteers for their outstanding service in staging the items for sale, pricing, and managing the sale. The Christmas tree is now designated as a monthly tree.

Craig: Welcome, Peggy Deyne. Greatly appreciate all the SS Committee's hard work.

Walter : Greatly appreciate the excellent job done by the front office staff, especially the thoughtful attitude of Char.

Tom: Encourage seniors to connect with other homebound seniors suffering from loneliness and depression.

There was no other business on the agenda to transact.

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting by Naomi Walters-Lenoci seconded by Walter Gramiak.

Absent: Larry Bretz.

All other members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday May 8, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Lathara,

Secretary

Hanover Township Senior Citizen's Services Committee