

Hanover Township Senior Center
Technology Lab
Meeting of the Senior Citizens' Services Committee
April 8, 2024 – 1:00 PM

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Peggy Bucaro at 1:05.

Present: Peggy Bucaro, Walter Gramiak, Larry Bretz, Lynn Nelles, Naomi Walters-Lenoci, Peggy Deyne, Trustee Craig Essick

Absent: Thomas Lathara

Present (Aging Services): Megan Conway, Lisa Perrone, Diana Gomez, Marilyn Perri, Dino Kazeos

Public: Charlize Younglove, Clint Baker, Corey Zak

Swearing in of Larry Bretz, Lynn Nelles, and Naomi Walters Lenoci

The Township Clerk, Katie Dolan Baumer, did the official swearing in of Larry Bretz, Lynn Nelles and Naomi Walters-Lenoci for another three year term effective May 16, 2024.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Peggy Bucaro led the pledge of allegiance recitation.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Reports

Chairperson's Report

Chairperson Peggy Bucaro expressed positive thoughts for new fiscal year and fresh start.

- Peggy Deyne served as Acting Secretary through the Chairperson's Report. At this point, she needed to leave the meeting and Director of Aging Services Megan Conway served as Acting Secretary.

Treasurer's Report

Monthly report ending February 2024

Larry Bretz presented the monthly report ending February 2024.

Income - \$3,480.77 Expense - \$596.94

Net Income – 2,883.83 Beginning Fund Balance - \$79,437

Ending Fund Balance - \$87,006

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 Lynn Nelles.

A roll call was taken by the secretary. All members present voted 'Aye.' Motion carried.

Trustee Liaison's Report

Trustee Essick updated Committee on activity of board.

Director's Report

Megan Conway provided the Director's report, including written report as submitted.

Concerns about Bingo games feeling rushed with new system and concerns about bus riders impeding the games. Director Conway reviewed steps taken to address the concern and Programming staff will monitor moving forward.

A new building calendar and event planning documents will be implemented in the coming weeks. This will assist with program coordination and large events at the Senior Center. Diana Gomez provided an update of Social Services software implementation and that it has been going well.

Director Conway also updated the Committee on changes with the Case Coordination Unit, Catholic Charities Northwest Senior Services. The changes will impact funded services for the Township. The Department plans on applying for available funding for the Aging and Disability Resource Network and other available funding.

Unfinished Business

Discussion of Fundraising

The Committee agreed to not move forward with the Eli's Cheesecake Fundraiser as a result of declining sales and unfavorable feedback from community. The committee also discussed possible fundraisers from a bake sale, world's finest fundraiser, and other local fundraisers. Committee members will think of more ideas and discuss at future meeting.

New Business

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2024

Chairperson Peggy Bucaro presented the last meeting minutes for discussion and approval. A motion was made to approve the regular meeting minutes by Larry Bretz seconded by Walter Gramiak. A roll call was taken by the secretary. All other members present voted 'Aye'. Motion carried.

Staff Recognition:

Lana Harvey was presented with a certificate and gift card for her outstanding contributions to the Nutrition program. Further discussion was held for who to recognize in May. Naomi suggested Dave Enzenbacher and Chris Crane due to recent help with gift shop which went above and beyond. The Committee agreed to recognize Dave and Chris. Sean Forkin was recommended for June, 2024.

Discussion of Nutrition Services

Director Conway and Nutrition Manager Perri presented an update and overview on services and metrics of the Nutrition Services program. Conway and Perri also shared ideas on improving service delivery for community. Staff is proposing to increase the suggested donation for patrons and requested feedback from Committee. Committee expressed being in favor of an increase to \$5 for 60+ and \$8 for 59 and younger.

Election of Officers

Motion by Naomi Walters Lenoci, Seconded by Larry Bretz to table Elections until May meeting due to absences from two members. All members present voted "aye." Item was tabled until May meeting.

Other Business

There was no other business on the agenda to transact at this time.

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting by Naomi Walters Lenoci and seconded by Larry Bretz. A roll call was taken by the secretary. All members present voted 'Aye.' Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Deyne and Megan Conway (Acting Secretaries)