



REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHEELING SENIOR COMMISSION

Minutes

THURSDAY, April 7, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M.

WHEELING VILLAGE HALL

Scanlon Conference Room

2 Community Blvd., Wheeling

- 1- Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kaplan at 10:02am.
- 2- Roll Call: Commissioners Vollriede, Marbella, Portnoy, Kaplan present. Commissioners Kohen and Butler were absent.
- 3- Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved with the change to the spelling of citizen's first name noted motion Commissioner Marbella, second Commissioner Portnoy.

- 4- Citizens' Comments and Concerns: None

Municipal Code 2.03.060 Subjects of Orders of Business

Citizen Concerns and Comments. Members of the public may address the committee with comments regarding only those items that are relevant to village business. Issues relevant to Village business are defined to mean information about Village events; issues that the public body has the authority to address; items listed on the agenda; and items or issues previously voted on by the Village Board or that the Village Board has the authority to consider or vote on in the future. No citizen shall speak for more than five minutes without consent of the committee. The village president shall strictly restrain comments and questions to matters that are relevant to village business and shall not permit repetitious comments or arguments. Members of the general public who wish to address the board must sign the request to speak form prior to the commencement of the public meeting.

- 5- Chairman's Report: Chairperson Kaplan asked if there would be anyone from the Park District present.
- 6- Senior Services Report
 - i. Congregate Dining: Staff Liaison Huizar shared the status of the lunch program. She related that the program will have to revise the budget as the program will be unable to meet the more than 17,000 meals expected. She also shared that beginning after the entertainment of the current week, anyone who wishes to participate in the entertainment of the lunch program will have to sign up to dine that day. She furthered that the entertainment is a way to recruit more participants and allowing people from outside of the program participate contradicts this recruitment method. There was concern voiced by Chairperson Kaplan that this will effect people who are unable to eat the food, etc. There may be further discussion on this topic.
 - ii. Senior Information Packet: Staff Liaison Huizar related that she inadvertently forgot the Senior Information Packet and will bring an example to the next meeting.
- 7- Recreation/Program Services Report: No report. It was mentioned that the new program book is out with information regarding the programs available through the park district.

8- Old Business: Commissioner Marbella related that she had brought up in the last meeting the idea of having a group of volunteers available to help seniors with household outdoor chores would be a good idea. She also related that after the meeting she decided that as she was the only person who expressed interest in this that perhaps more discussion was needed. Staff Liaison Huizar shared the information regarding the A-OK program through district 214 community education. Staff Liaison Huizar will bring information regarding this program to the next meeting.

9- New Business

- i. Plans for 2022: Staff Liaison Huizar related that she would be very interested in holding another Senior Information Fair in the fall. As the incidences of COVID continue to stabilize it may be a great time to get people together again. All commissioners agreed that this would be a good idea.
- ii. Ideas for new commissioner: Staff Liaison Huizar asked commissioners to think about people they think might be interested in becoming a senior commissioner. At the time of the meeting, no one had any ideas.

10-Announcements – Next meeting will be Thursday, May 5, 2022

11-Adjournment

Commissioners please call Shari Matthews Huizar at 847-459-2672 if you are unable to attend

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