

## **Commission On Aging**

**PEAK - April 16, 2021 – 9:30 A.M.**

**155 W. Lewis Ave, Platteville, WI**

Present: Ray Banfi, Joyce Bos, Debra Browning, Bill Cramer, Josephine Kischer, Jon Meidinger, Larry McReynolds after 10:30 a.m.

Guests: Luke Peters (Parks & Recreation), Adam Reuchel (City Manager)

Absent: Jill Goffinet, John Klosterman, Kathy Kopp, Ellen Stellpflug

- I. Meeting is called to order at 9:40 a.m.
- II. Motion to approve Minutes of March 19<sup>th</sup> by Bill, second Joyce, all in favor, Minutes approved.
- III. Adam Reuchel:

Question about the proposed Fire Station:

Our Fire Station was built in 1960 and a study was done on adjusting the current station or look for an alternate location on a parcel of approximately 2 acres. Suggestions were the Armory and the O.E .Gray building. In conversations with the School District it was discussed to have the Fire Station, the Senior Center, and a Community Center on the site should the City acquire the property. The City will look to start serious conversations within the next months. The time frame is to have a serious plan and definite site by 2022 and start a capital campaign in 2023. Negotiations between the City and the School District will be first on the agenda and after that discussions about cost and funding sources.

Jon asked if some of the Stimulus money might trickle down to the Senior Center. Adam says it depends on the restrictions the government puts on it.

To the question why the Sr. Center is under Parks and Recreation. Luke says that the previous Center administrator asked him to help with financing and administrative reporting. Jon says he is satisfied with the assistance he is getting from Parks and Recreation and does not see a

need to change that. Luke says he is representing the Center at the Council.

Transportation:

Debra explains the situation with the buses and the taxi.

Adam suggests that people who have a problem with transportation call in so that there is an awareness because the calls are logged; eventually they may get attention and action. Discussed was also the difficulty of entering the downtown businesses for those in wheelchairs and the possibility of some sort of attention getting device at bus stops.

Jon suggests a meeting with the Transportation Committee to discuss the issues. We will invite Tami Enz from Main Street to one of our meetings.

Jon says the Center will start activities on a small scale and we will have a Senior Picnic this year.

IV. Next meeting May 21, 2021.

V. Motion to adjourn Debra, second Ray, all in favor. Meeting adjourns at 10:55 a.m.

Submitted by

Josephine Kischer, Secretary