Commission On Aging

Dec. 15, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

155 E. Lewis St, Platteville

Present: Ray Banfi, Joyce Bos, Bill Cramer, Jill Goffinet, Josephine Kischer, Larry McReynolds, Jon Meidinger, Ally Shanahan

Assent: Debara Browning, Kathy Kopp

- I. Meeting is called to order by Bill Cramer at 9:35 a.m.
- II. Motion by Joyce to approve Minutes of November 17th, second Ray, all in favor, Minutes are approved.
- III. **Reports: PEAK Jon Meidinger** Luke Peters (Director of Parks and Recreation) is leaving Platteville; Jon and Jill will be attending a meeting regarding this position. It seems that the decision about the Fire Station has been made and we may be moving again. Ray suggests that we need to fight for the Senior Center and include the "Community Center" to stay at O.E. Grey. Jon suggests that we need a stronger effort to advocate for the Senior Center, form a task force to study and promote the needs and plans for the Senior Center. He will go through some of the materials that will be helpful in advocating and promoting. The Council will meet on January 11th and January 25th; it would be helpful to be present. Ally will form a task force to represent the Senior Center at the Jan. 25th meeting (she is asking us for names of people to contact). She will put together a fact sheet to provide to the task force in January. She also suggests we get testimonies from other Senior Centers on how important these centers are to their respective communities. Ally suggests that the task force meeting should be an evening meeting, as this is easier for working people.

PASS: Bill Cramer

Debara will be speaking at the Optimists Club on January 14th. We need to give her our "wish list", i.e. transportation concerns, accessibility for the handicapped, our main fundraising is Brat Sales, selling canned Beef, Craft Fairs, and donations from local companies. Jon will get the information to Debara.

We may consider doing a Brat Sale on Graduation night in the Spring. This would mean having two sales on that Saturday.

- IV. Our new Mission Statement is approved.
- V. Next GOA meeting will be on January 19, 2021
- VI. Motion to adjourn by Ally, second Ray, all in favor, meeting adjourns at 10:39 a.m.

Josephine Kischer, Secretary