



SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION and PARTNERS

Communicating the social, economic, recreational, cultural, and personal needs of the senior portion of the City's population.

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Carolyn Durbin*, LaVonne Kroells*, Lois Schultz*, Tom Simmons*, Kay Hampshire*, Cathleen Williams*, Mary Spille*, Elroy Latzig*, Betty Settergren*

SENIOR HOUSING ADVISORS

Ranemma Walker – The Haven, Laurie Hilgers – The Harbor, Brenda Schmitz – Peace Villa, Representative– Oak Grove

COMMUNITY/CITY REPRESENTATIVES

City Council Representative, Karen Hallquist – City Hall, CC Sheriff Office, CC Public Health, CC Library

(*) voting members

1. Call meeting to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adopt Agenda

4. Approve minutes from January 18, 2024

5. Introductions, Presentations, and Public Comment

(Citizens may address the Senior Advisory Commission about any non-agenda item of concern. Speakers must state their name, address, and limit their remarks to three minutes. The Senior Advisory Commission will take no official action on these items but may refer the matter to staff for a future report or direct that the matter be scheduled for a future meeting.)

6. Updates

Monitor and expand housing options for seniors -

6.1 Senior Residence Updates

6.1.1 Harbor / Haven

6.1.2 Peace Villa

6.1.3 Oak Grove

Provide safe options for seniors to get around -

6.2 City Bus Update

6.2.1 Out & About Trip – Thurs, April 18th 10am-2pm Arlington

Identify and promote education and social options for seniors -

6.3 NYA Senior Center

6.4 Carver County Public Health – Move Mindfully, 2nd & 4th Wed of January-March 2024 (6 sessions)

6.5 Carver County Sheriff's Department

7. New Business

7.1 Senior Dance Update – Sunday, May 5th

7.2 Lunch & Learn – technology

8. Old Business

9. NYA City Council Update

10. Adjournment

Next Senior Advisory Meeting – Thursday, March 21, 2024 @ 9:00am @ City Hall

UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS

February 19 th	Presidents Day Observed	City Hall Closed
February 26 th	Workshop/EDA/City Council Meeting	5:00PM/6:00 PM
March 5 th	Presidential Primary	Polls open—7 AM to 8 PM
March 6 th	Planning Commission Meeting	6:00 PM (Wednesday meeting in March)
March 11 th	City Council Meeting	6:00 PM
March 13 th	Economic Development Commission Meeting	6:00 PM
March 19 th	Park and Rec Commission Meeting	5:30 PM
March 21 st	Sr. Advisory	9:00 AM
March 25 th	Workshop/EDA/City Council Meeting	5:00 PM/6:00 PM

Senior Advisory Commission
January 18, 2024, 9am
Minutes

Commissioners In Attendance: LaVonne Kroells, Carolyn Durbin, Kay Hampshire, Mary Spille, Betty Settergren, Tom Simmons,
Advisors in Attendance: Brenda Schmitz
Absent: Elroy Latzig, Lois Schultz, Cathleen Williams
Community/City Representatives: Karen Hallquist, Grace Ballow (City)
Others: Laurel Bradshaw, CC Library,

1. Call meeting to Order

- Kroells called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

- All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:04am.

3. Adopt Agenda

Motion: CW/TS to approve the agenda with the addition of 6.6 CC Library & 7.4 Community Gardens additions.

Motion passed.9-0.

4. Approve minutes from December 21, 2023

Motion: KH/BS to approve the minutes. Motion passed 9-0.

5. Introductions, Presentations, and Public Comment

6. Updates

Monitor and expand housing options for seniors -

6.1 Senior Residence Updates

6.1.1 Harbor/Haven

- Open apartments (4/5 each?) Some recent phone issues that have since been resolved.

6.1.2 Peace Villa

- 100% occupancy - the apartments are full and doing well.

6.1.3 Oak Grove

- 1 2-bedroom unit available.

6.2 City Bus Update -

- There were 4 people on the last bus for grocery shopping.
- No one has been using the bus for Senior Center trips.

6.1.1 Out & About Trip -

- Potential April trip Thursday, April 18th 10am-2pm A-Town Tavern and thrift shops in Arlington. Will have information for a flyer by next month.

NYA Senior Center

- 28 people in attendance.

6.3 Carver County Public Health -

- Move Mindfully, 2nd & 4th Wed of January-March 2024 (6 sessions)
- 10 people in attendance during the last meeting and all will be in person moving forward.
- Possible time change back to 8:30 due to in-person meetings. This will be confirmed before next month.

6.4 Carver County Sheriff's Department

- No updates on new town Deputy yet.

7. New Business

7.1 Senior Dance Update

- Talk of creating a committee for the dance to include Elroy, Tom, Lavonne, and one person from the Harbor.
- They would like to see a sponsor for the bus rides and more advertising to encourage more attendees, and that it is not a couples only event.

7.2 Lunch & Learn Idea - Technology

- Laurel with the Library spoke briefly about the library and possible use of the facility for the technology themed lunch and learn and possibly including Scott for assistance with this. Tom and Carolyn said they would help her and spoke of a possible date in September.

7.3 Golden Passes for CHS sporting events.

- Tim, Central Schools Superintendent said anyone 65+ can get in free. These passes are good for life. Karen will bring some next month. Tickets are also available for pickup at the school office.

7.4 Community Gardens

- Hallquist requested support to apply for a Carver Co SHIP grant to pay for eight additional garden plots.

Motion: TS/CD to recommend approval of SHIP application. Motion passed 9-0.

8. Old Business.

- Motion for the community garden's expansion to be brought to City Council. Motion passed 9-0.*

9. NA City Council Update

- Alan has officially resigned from the City Council.

10. Adjournment

Motion: TS/KH: to adjourn at 10:01am. Motion passed 9-0.

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Submitted by:

Karen Hallquist, Community & Economic Development Director