



Senior Advisory Council
December 12, 2019 10:00 a.m.
Committee Room 3, 3rd Floor City Hall

Present: Connie Butler, Valerie King, Betty Konc, Heidi Grzesina, Maggie Wahl – Horne

Council: Councillor Angie Desmarais

Staff: Nicole Halasz, Karen Walsh

Regrets: Sue Brown, Phyllis Brown, Nancy Busch, Audrey Garrett

1. Call to order 10:03 a.m.

2. Motion to accept the agenda for December 12, 2019.

Moved by: Connie Butler

Seconded by: Maggie Wahl-Horne

THAT the agenda for December 12, 2019 be accepted.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Interest.

none

4. Motion to accept the minutes of October 17, 2019.

Moved by: Heidi Grzesina

Seconded by: Maggie Wahl-Horne

THAT the minutes of October 17, 2019 be accepted.

CARRIED

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

Assessment report (4 items)

- Housing
- Transportation – Looking in the rural areas, Region

- Health Care Services
- Social Participation
- Communication & Information – Services and programs available to seniors
- Volunteer Check in programs

To accept the above six objectives for 2020.

Motion by: Connie Butler

Seconded by: Heidi Grzesina

THAT the Seniors Advisory council accept the following initiatives for 2020; Housing, Transportation (rural), Health Care Services, Social participation, Communication & Information & Volunteer Check in programs.

CARRIED

Letter to Niagara Health System to keep Port Colborne Urgent Care Centre open. Submitted Audrey changes to Betty and Betty will make the changes and submit to Niagara Health System.

6. Business

- a. Age Friendly Business – looking for photos, and then the committee to review before sending out to the BIAs and other businesses.
- b. Parks & Recreation Masterplan – Seniors were not mentioned in the document. Endorse the report, would like to see more verbiage on seniors. Age friendly exercise. Niagara-on-the-Lake has an example of multiple users park.

Homework - Read the document and find the priority for the Seniors Advisory Council.

7. New Business

Age Friendly Network meeting – Betty and Connie, Niagara Aging Strategy and Action Plan Implementation Project 2017-2019

Evaluation Summary October 2019 (Karen to resend). Big event in the Spring before Senior month in May, will be in Pelham – guest speakers, physical literacy (equipment – balance for seniors). Advertise it and arrange for a bus to go to Pelham. Portal Village. Thorold had a senior event.

Starting in June do regular events in Port Colborne - Grant application for monthly meetings – events department.

8. Information/Correspondence

Crimestoppers (letter attached) – year long study services in Niagara, Elderly abuse and where to report elderly abuse. To participate on an individual bases.

Read the Age Strategy draft that Val worked on, any feed back.

Social interaction with social interactives “sit here if you would like to someone to say hello to someone” Chat benches throughout the region.

June – Senior’s month on January agenda, sub-committee, Send suggestion to Connie by January 10th, Nicole staff person to work on the event.

Connie will send on January 2nd to send suggestion to for June Senior’s month.

9. Adjournment at 11:44 a.m.

THAT we do now adjourn.

CARRIED

Next meeting: January 16, 2019

Karen invite Community Support Services and 211 for January meetings. Habitat for Humanity for future meetings (Port Perry – municipalities more names on home ownership).