

Village of Germantown
Senior Center Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 29, 2020

I. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Chair Dennis Myers.

II. Roll Call:

In attendance were: Trustee Art Zabel, Trustee Dennis Myers, Senior Center Advisory Committee Members Norine Janzen, Arline Flesch (via phone), and Jackie Shebesta, Park & Recreation Director Mark Schroeder, and Senior Center Coordinator Mary Fiegel.

III. Approval of Minutes – July 23, 2020

A motion was made by Norine Janzen to approve the minutes of the Senior Advisory Committee Meeting of July 23, 2020, and it was seconded by Art Zabel. Motion approved.

IV. PUBLIC INPUT: None

V. OLD BUSINESS:

Wisconsin Association of Senior Centers (WASC) Accreditation Update – Mary reported that as part of the accreditation process, the WASC Accreditation Review Committee must visit each site. With the Covid-19 pandemic, the review committee has postponed all site visits until 2021. Mary indicated the committee will be starting the review process next June. To date, a total of 13 senior centers have applied. Due to the amount of time for the certification process, only 8 will be reviewed. Mary was confident that Germantown is in that group.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

Senior Center Covid-19 Policies & Procedures – Mary updated the committee on the Covid-19 policies and procedures. It was noted the center is following all guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as well as the state-mandated mask requirement.

Mark also noted that per the Washington-Ozaukee County Health Dept., Germantown remains in the high-risk category. The Village, including the Senior Center, has been following the high-risk capacity guideline of 25% or a maximum of 50 – 60 people for building rentals.

Senior Center Programs, Trips and Activities – Mary provided the following report on activities at the center.

1. There will not be a Senior Club Christmas Party this year. The Club Board decided to send out a special gift to each member in the mail in lieu of the party. They are currently accepting renewal and new memberships for 2021.
2. The Club also renewed the contract with LPI, the newsletter advertising company for 2021.
3. Club Activities for 2021: Not all 5th Wednesdays, but only June 30th picnic, September 29th party, and December 8 Christmas Party. Monthly meetings on 2nd Wednesday of each month with bingo to follow, cash prizes. Easter Bunny Lunch is pending – will see what happens with Covid-19.
4. Germantown Kiwanis sponsored 1 blood drive in October and two more are scheduled yet this year. They are November 2 and December 7. (11-8) There is another blood drive sponsored by the High School Scholarship program scheduled for Wednesday, November 11 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
5. Van rides continue Tuesday- Friday 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Busy!
6. We are currently not collecting clothing items for the Milwaukee Rescue Mission due to Covid.
7. Instead of coloring book donations to Children's hospital this year (covid) monetary donations have been given.
8. New class Sit N Be Fit is held on Wednesdays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Good participation, \$10.00 for 8-week session. This class will continue to be offered in 2021.
9. The Senior Center is closed the day after Thanksgiving, November 27th. It is also closed on Dec. 24th, 25th, 31st and January 1st. On Wednesday, December 30th the center will only be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
10. There will not be a New Year's social this year.
11. There will be a Christmas Social (limited to 55 people) on Wednesday, December 16th from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Food and beverage will not be served so that persons attending will not have to take their mask off during the social. They will take home a treat bag instead. Music will be by DJ and Amy Jo Doty of Oshkosh. Free for residents of Washington County, but \$10.00 for non- County residents.
12. Activities at the Center are limited to those that can be socially distanced at this time which excludes dice and card games. Washington County Health Dept. directive.
13. Washington County Congregate meal site will not open at the Center until it is deemed safe by the Washington County Health Department and the ADRC.

2021 Senior Center Budget – Mark reported that the 2021 Senior Center Budget was presented to the Village Board at the Committee of the Whole Budget Meeting on September 30th. The Senior Center Operating Budget for 2021 stands at \$120,236, with projected revenues of \$32,100. At the October 15th meeting, the Village Board approved sending forth the 2021 Budget for Public Hearing on November 16th. No modifications have been made to the submitted 2021 Senior Center Budget.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Firemen's Park Shelter Project – Mark noted that plans and specifications were completed in late August with bid opening on September 11th. On September 21st, the Village Board

awarded the contract to the low-bidder, Level Up Construction. The contracts have been executed, with the contractor scheduled to start on the shelter footings and foundation the first week of November.

Dheinsville Park Festhalle – Mark noted that the contractor, Keller Inc., completed work on the shelter in late August. The dedication/ribbon cutting ceremony was held on September 16th. The Germantown Historical Society celebrated a successful Oktoberfest event on September 26th and 27th at the new festhalle.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF PUBLIC INTEREST

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 21st at 3:30 p.m.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Mark Schroeder