



City of West Allis

Meeting Minutes

Commission on Aging

Patricia Wikenhauser, Chair
Mary Kay Flynn, Shirley Laux,
Diane Langford, Minerva Roman de Gibilian, David Rymaszewski & John Zentgraf

Monday, March 25, 2024

3:45 PM

Senior Center
7001 W. National Ave.

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Wikenhauser at 3:45pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - David Rymaszewski, Patricia Wikenhauser, John Zentgraf, Mary Kay Flynn, Minerva Roman de Gibilian, Diane Langford
Excused 1 - Shirley Laux

Others present: Shannon Byrne, Bob Leischow, Sharon Roy, Mary Sullivan, Mel Brostowitz (Eras)

C. REFLECTION

Commissioner Roman De Gibilian's reflection: "True wealth is not measured in money or status or power. It is measured in the legacy we leave behind for those we love and those we inspire." Cesar Chavez.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [24-0178](#) Commission on Aging Minutes 2-26-2024

Attachments: [Commission on Aging Minutes 2-26-24](#)

Commissioner Flynn moved to approve the amended minutes of the February 26, 2024, Commission on Aging meeting. Commissioner Rymaszewski seconded, motion carried.

E. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

2. [24-0179](#) Request to change the dollar amount used from the Senior Center Trust Fund from \$200 per party to \$300 per party

Commissioner Flynn made a motion to authorize spending \$300 for parties
Commission Zentgraf seconded.

3. [24-0180](#) First Quarter Membership Report

Ms. Byrne distributed a report with attendance figures.

4. [24-0181](#) Confirmation of date and time for Commission on Aging training and team building event

The scheduled date is April 19th at 11:30. Commissioner Rymaszewski will be excused.

- 5. [24-0182](#) Request to reduce the fee for parties from \$10 to \$5 per party.

Commissioner Flynn made a motion to reduce the party cost to \$5 per person, Commission Rymaszewski seconded.

F. ERAS SENIOR NETWORK UPDATE

Ms. Brostowitz reviewed the history and strategic planning that ERAS Senior Network is involved with: promoting healthy aging in Waukesha and Milwaukee Counties and engaging in intergenerational volunteerism. The Tapestry Gala is scheduled for April 25th. Tickets still available.

G. STAFF REPORT

Ms. Byrne updated the activities at the West Allis Senior Center. Ms. West Allis played the piano during senior dining. The party was well attended and discussed other programs. 128 pounds of peanut butter and jelly were donated to the Feeding America Challenge.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:50pm with the next scheduled meeting to be held on April 22, 2024 at 345pm.



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