

City of West Allis

Meeting Minutes

Commission on Aging

Patricia Wikenhauser, Chair

Gloria Dohearty, Mary Kay Flynn, Diane Langford, Minerva Roman de Gibilian, John Zentgraf, Nancy Harris

Monday, September 22, 2025

3:00 PM

Senior Center 7001 W. National Ave.

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Gloria Dohearty at 3:03 pm

B. ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Mary Kay Flynn, Minerva Roman de Gibilian, Diane Langford, Gloria Dohearty,

Nancy Harris

Excused 2 - John Zentgraf, Patricia Wikenhauser

Others present: Shannon Byrne, Bob Leischow, Ashley Palen, Elyse Gelinskey

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

25-0357 Commission on Aging Minutes 8-25-2025

Attachments: Commission on Aging Minutes 8-25-25

Commissioner Flynn moved to amend the minutes to state that she had volunteered take part in the community's Age-Friendly initiative in such a case that no other commissioners volunteer to serve on said initiative. Commissioner

Roman de Gibilian seconded, motion carried.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

E. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

<u>25-0358</u> Program Spotlight: Tablet Rental

Ms. Byrne discussed the Senior Center's available tablet library and current uptake of this service. Commissioners provided feedback about potential

promotion of this program.

<u>25-0371</u> Program Spotlight: Fitness Center

Ms. Byrne discussed the current offerings of the Senior Center's Fitness

Center.

F. ERAS SENIOR NETWORK UPDATE

Ms. Gelinskey discussed current volunteer recruitment efforts for the organization. Eras Senior Network is also participating in upcoming Art of Aging events in Milwaukee county. Eras has less volunteers completing more total hours than it did at this time last year.

G. STAFF REPORT

Ms. Byrne discussed current attendance trends at the Senior Center, as well as introducing new member satisfaction data gained from member renewal forms. Ms. Palen discussed her findings on appropriate use of Senior Center trust funds and fundraising proceeds as gained by the City's legal and treasury departments.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Roman de Gibilian moved to adjourn at 4:20 pm. Commissioner Flynn seconded, motion carried.

Next scheduled meeting to be held Monday October 27, 2025 at 3 pm



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