



Watertown Commission on Aging

Paul Ericsson
Cindy Raymond
Jim Sandquist
Dave Smith
Rachel Bender
Deb Favorit
Dawn Plumer
Mayor Steve Washburn
Clerk/Treasurer Lynn Tschudi

2/3/2021 - Minutes

1. Call To Order

The Watertown Commission on Aging meeting was called to order on February 3, 2021 at 3:36 p.m. by Paul Ericsson via Zoom.

Members present: Ericsson, Cindy Raymond, Dave Smith, Deb Favorit

Staff present: City Administrator Shane Fineran and Administrative Services Director Lynn Tschudi

Guest Present: Community Engagement Coordinator for Carver County Libraries Jessica Roschen

2. Adopt Agenda

FAVORIT MOVED, SMITH SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

3. Approve Minutes

3.A. Commission On Aging Minutes 9-2-2020 (Pdf)

RAYMOND MOVED, FAVORIT SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 2, 2020. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

4. New Business

Jessica Roschen, the Community Engagement Coordinator with the Carver County Library, addressed the Commission. She said the free tax assistance program with AARP will hopefully be returning for the 2020 tax season. Roschen said this service will be appointment-based with a quick 5 minute drop off appointment and a pick-up appointment. There is projected to be three sites in Carver County: Chaska, Waconia, and hopefully Watertown. Roschen said there are no specific dates or details at this time. She asked for feedback from the commission on a possible process for 2020 tax preparation with AARP. Roschen stressed that she is almost certain that AARP will be lacking volunteers this year which could cut out the Watertown location.

Raymond suggested Roschen reach out directly to the Westwood Place so they know immediately when

the appointments are available.

4.A. Community Vaccine Clinic

City Administrator Fineran updated the Commission on the community vaccine effort. He said he met with the Rose Rosedahl, owner of Watertown Pharmacy and Carver County Public Health to discuss the possibility of Watertown Pharmacy becoming a community vaccinator. Fineran said Rosedahl is hoping to start receiving more vaccines very soon, with the potential to receive up to 250 doses a week. If a large dose was received, more coordination and organization would be required for space and volunteers.

Fineran mentioned the community center would be the possible vaccination clinic location for weekends. The average vaccinator can administer 15 vaccines an hour. Fineran said to recruit for volunteers, the pharmacy has been connected with the Lions and other local groups. Favorit offered to volunteer to help with the vaccination clinic. Fineran asked the commission to spread the word if anyone is interested in volunteering. He also said the dates and distribution of the vaccine clinic is unknown, but it will be very last minute.

5. Ageless Business

6. Updates From City

Fineran updated that the Chamber Checks have been mailed out. He also updated on the development activity in Watertown. Construction projects for the spring include Highway 25 improvements and Sugarbush Playground and trail improvements.

7. Updates From Commissioners

Ericsson updated that the Library curbside pickup continues. There are many Facebook live events, craft and music events online.

8. Adjourn

PAUL ERICSSON ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 4:19 PM.

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