

City of Kirkland Kirkland Senior Council Minutes of Regular Meeting October 18, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

The October 18, 2022 Kirkland Senior Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 1:34pm by Chair Susan Harris-Huether.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Jim Hall, Susan Harris-Huether, Karen Hartman, Jeri Jay-Kelly, Barbara Loomis, Ingrid Martin, Caryn Morawek, June Palon, Jack Staudt, Terry Steele-Kalet and Dave Wagar.

Members Absent: Penny Kahn and Steve Lewis

Staff Present: Betsy Maxwell, Program Coordinator

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Dave Wagar motioned to approve the July minutes as corrected, seconded by Member Barbara Loomis, motion passed unanimously.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A.** The Kirkland Senior Council will be recruiting new members October 1-31, 2022 and is open to adults that live, work, or serve seniors in Kirkland. The recruitment committee includes the following members: Terry Steele-Kalet, Karen Hartman, Jeri Jay-Kelly, Jack Staudt and Barbara Loomis. Terry will take the lead on scheduling interview times with the committee and for the applicants.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Member Reports

i. Advocacy

Member Karen Hartman reported on updates with the BNOA and discussed the meetings that the members have had with the local legislators regarding senior issues.

A discussion followed regarding Medicare Advantage Plans and the ACO REACH model. Members would like to have receive more information on the ACO REACH and will look at inviting someone to a future meeting to talk more about this subject.

ii. Housing

No report

iii. Resource Guide

Staff reported for Member Penny Kahn that there is now a new way of making updates on the Resource Guide and that it is much easier for the committee to get the corrections to the Human Service staff that is helping with this project.

iv. Art Show

Staff reported for Member Penny Kahn that Merrill Gardens is willing to store the art show grids but that they need to be picked up from a storage unit in Bellevue. Member Jim Hall volunteered to pick up the grids and take them to Merrill Gardens, Member Susan Harris-Huether volunteered to help with this also.

v. Education

Member Ingrid Martin reported that the Senior Property Tax Relief Public Forum is scheduled for January 25, 2023 at 2pm and that flyers are available to be handed out.

vi. Transportation

Members Karen Hartman is meeting with Heather Clark from Hopelink on October 27th to discuss the new ORCA card. Mobility for All is a new program being offered in Bellevue that is a community van with a driver.

vii. Viva Volunteer

Member Dave Wagar reported on the number of organizations that have responded to the Viva mailing, he will be reaching out to organizations that have not responded soon.

B. Staff Report

Staff gave a presentation on the EnhanceWellness program offered at the Peter Kirk Community Center.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Member Terry Stelle-Kalet motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Ingrid Martin, motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 3:12pm.