

**City of Kirkland
Kirkland Senior Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 12, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The September 12, 2023 Kirkland Senior Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 1:30pm by Chair Jack Staudt

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Jim Hall, Karen Hartman, Kathy Iverson, Jeri Jay-Kelley, Penny Kahn, Steve Lewis, Barbara Loomis, Ingrid Martin, June Palon, Jack Staudt, Terry Steele-Kalet and Bob Warren.

Members Absent: Carole Bryan, Scott Emmons, Susan Harris-Huether, Caryn Morawek and Dave Wagar

Staff Present: Betsy Maxwell, Program Coordinator

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Kathy Iverson motioned to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Member Jeri Jay-Kelley, motion passed unanimously.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Member Terry Kalet- Steele, Jeri Jay-Kelley and Karen Hartman will act as the recruitment committee for new KSC members.
- B. Member Jeri Jay-Kelley will work with staff to determine how KSC would like to have the Viva Volunteer room set up for the Senior Resource Fair in September.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- A. The Fall Senior Lobby Conference will be held virtually this year on Thursday, October 19th from 9am -4pm. Staff will sign the following members up to attend: Steve Lewis, Kathy Iverson, Karen Hartman, Jack Staudt, Terry Kallet-Steele.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Member Reports

i. Advocacy

Member Kathy Iverson reported on the final Federal Legislative Agenda and asked for a formal vote to accept the recommendations outlined, the motion was seconded by Ingrid Martin, motion passed unanimously.

Kathy reported that the advocacy committee will begin working on the State Agenda after the Fall conference.

Kathy reported the City of Seattle was designated as an Age Friendly City and discussed the Gold Card program. It has been difficult to get Eastside businesses to participate.

ii. Art Show

No new report

iii. Education

Member Ingrid Martin reported that there are 9 people registered for the Inflation Reduction Act class. She reminded KSC members to register for the class. The class was advertised in This Week in Kirkland on 9/7/23.

iv. Housing

Member Barbara Loomis discussed attending several housing events as well as senior living grand opening recently.

v. Outreach

Chair Jack Staudt reported that the City Hall for All event was well attended and an overall great event. KSC members were able to talk to many residents and gave away information regarding recruitment, upcoming events and Resource Guides.

vi. Resource Guide

Staff reported that the printing of the new Resource Guide was moving forward. The hope is to have the new guide in November.

vii. Transportation

Member Karen Hartman reported the Rides & Smiles program is looking for more drivers.

viii. Viva Volunteer

Member Jeri Jay-Kelley reported that the Farmer's Markets and City Hall for All went well this summer. The committee is hoping to highlight an organization each month on the website in the future.

ix. Chair Report

Member Jack Staudt reported on the progress that has been made recently, including the KSC website, Viva website and DIEB connection.

B. Staff Report

- i. Staff discussed guidelines for local agency officials and employees who engage in election activities as well as appointed officials. Outlined what is and is not permitted and general considerations for the upcoming election..

7. ADJOURNMENT

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