Minutes of May 16, 2019
St. Peters Senior Advisory Committee

Meeting called to Order- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Andrea Whisenton at 12:30pm with Pledge and Prayer to follow.

Roll call- Those attending were: Mary Evans, Sandy Hennen, Maribeth Huddleston, Mel Maire, Net Thomas, Andrea Whisenton, Roger Young, Alderman Nick Trupiano, and Amy Heckart. Guests included Jen Stuckenschneider from Aging Ahead and Cathy Lenihan from Western & Southern Life. There was a special welcome and introduction to our new Aldermanic Rep, Nick Trupiano

Approval of Minutes- A motion to approve the April minutes was made by Maribeth and seconded by Roger. The motion carried and the minutes were passed.

Public- Jen Stuckenschneider reminded the committee about the Aging Ahead & Edward Jones 5K Run/1Mile Walk in Queeny Park on June 1. Cathy Lenihan introduced herself and was there as a concerned citizen curious if the committee had heard any feedback from seniors regarding accessibility issues at their apartments and condos. She is aware of some concerns and has been working with Julie Powers at the City of St. Peters.

Items of Discussion- Amy discussed the prior month’s recommendation to move the Senior Advisory meetings to every other month and it was on the Board of Alderman agenda for May 23, 2019. Committee members again supported the change.

In anticipation of the change, speakers for June and October have been rescheduled. Kyle Gaines from SCCAD will now present on File for Life, Rapid Access and precautions for living alone at the July 18 meeting and Officer Melissa Doss will present tips for avoiding scams at the November 21st meeting. Flyers promoting the speakers will be available after the May 23rd Board meeting. We will need committee member’s assistance in distributing and promoting these speaking events.

The Adopt a Park/Trail tour is currently placed on hold due to flooding at 370 Lakeside Park. Committee will revisit the idea in the fall.

There are still several vacancies on the committee. Members were invited to refer friends and neighbors to submit an application if interested in assisting on the committee. If meetings go to every other month it won’t be as big of a commitment and hopefully create more interest.

The Senior Fair is Saturday, October 5th. Amy received approval from the City Administrator to move forward with the St. Louis Strutters for entertainment at the fair. With a 1 hour entertainment option, the committee decided to not have guest speakers to allow plenty of time for visiting vendor booths. The committee further discussed the raffle giveaway and agreed to allow each vendor to handle their own process. The committee would then purchase some gift cards to use as raffle giveaway prizes during the event. The committee also discussed inviting O’Fallon to the September meeting when we are finalizing plans for the fair.

Adjournment- A motion to adjourn was made by Mel at 1:27 PM and seconded by Roger.

Next meeting will be July 18, 2019, at 12:30 PM at the Senior Center with guest speaker at 1pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Heckart