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MADISON SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION

MINUTES OCTOBER, 2016

Present: Wendy Oberg, Marcy Sanders, Jerry Kerins, Austin Hall, Lori Murphy, Dale Kach, Sheri Purcelli, Jim Ball, Craig Benard

Absent: Pat Melady, Jason Ulstad, Bennet Pudlin, Bruce Wilson

Meeting was called to Order: Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM by Jerry Kerins.

Chairman's Comments: The Annual Report needs to be submitted. Austin will send out a Google Poll to determine meeting day/time for anyone interested in helping to prepare the report.

Public Comments: Jim and Barbara Ryan attended the Newcomer's Club, and noted that people were raving about the MSC food. They requested clarification of when reservations can be made. Austin explained that seniors can sign up on the 3rd Monday of the month for lunches in the following month. Currently, there is a maximum of 60.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes were approved by Wendy, seconded by Jerry. All in favor.

Tax Relief Update: Austin summarized that the BOF had approved the Tax Relief draft. The maximum income was debated; the proposed 85K maximum was changed to about 75K (depending upon seniors' combined net income if married, years of residence, and other variables). The sunset clause was removed. Jerry suggested means to educate the public about the tax relief via newsletter or a ppt presentation. Committee members acknowledged that Austin and Heather would have an enormous amount of work with new applications and explanations.

Senior Commission bylaws, Charge, Friends of Madison Senior Center. Craig led a discussion about reviewing and updating the senior commission bylaws since the roles of the commission and senior center director may have evolved over the last 5 years. We began review of the Madison Senior Services Commission Bylaws, from May, 2010. Significant edits were made on the goals and objectives. Marcy/Sherry to record these edits and circulate at next meeting.

Personnel Report: Austin said Senior Center is fully staffed.

New business: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm. Jerry Kerins closed the meeting. Next meeting on November 10, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcy Sanders

Sherry Purcelli (content after 6:30pm)