

**Minnetonka Senior Citizen  
Advisory Board Minutes  
Tuesday, December 9, 2008  
10:00 a.m.**

**Mission Statement: To develop and promote programs and services in our community to meet the diverse needs of those 55+.**

Present: Ruby Berg, Donna Bloom, Dave Carroll, Ann Dreier, Wanda Griepp, Lois King, Richard Koenig, Bill Lurth, Karen Mast, Bev Montgomery, Ron Timm. Guests: Jeanne Lutgen, Allan Kind, Board members from Mills Landing Shoppe.

Staff: Steve Pieh, Ron Schwartz.

Roll Call showed all members present but Kaye Fredensborg.

President Lois King called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeanne Lutgen and Allan Kind were introduced as potential Board Members. They will be interviewed by Mayor Jan Callison next week.

Minutes of November 10, 2008 were approved as sent.

President's Report: Lois reported that she sent congratulations to Jan Callison on her election to the Hennepin County Board.

Staff Report: Steve reported that:

- 1) The planned renovation of the Community Center service window will probably not be accomplished at this time, because of budget constraints caused by MN state cuts to cities.
- 2) 129 are signed up for the Holiday Gala noon meal and music.
- 3) Students from the Minnetonka Christian Academy are being trained to assist seniors in adapting their TVs to digital reception.

Old Business:

- Applebee's – Saturday, March 28, 2009, 8:00 – 9:45 a.m. Dave has met with the manager to confirm plans. Volunteers will need to work from 7:30 – 10:00 a.m. Tickets will be ready soon to begin selling.
- Membership – Jeanne Lutgen and Allan Kind are considering joining the Board. They will be interviewed by Mayor Jan Callison in the near future.

New Business:

- Mills Landing Shoppe: Ron Schwartz introduced the resolution by the City of Minnetonka to assume direction and control of the Mills Landing Shoppe, to be administered by the Senior Citizen Advisory Board. He provide information about the high cost of bringing the current Mills landing Shoppe building into compliance with ADA rules for accessibility and to update the facility. He presented the offer by the city to provide new space at the Westridge Pavilion, 11280 Wayzata Boulevard and to adapt the building for the best use of the Mills Landing Shoppe. The Board members of the Mills Landing Shoppe appeared to support the idea of a better building with space set up for retail. Daily operation of the Shoppe will continue to be through its Board, with overall administration of the program through the Senior Citizen Advisory Board.

- The January 28 program: Get Involved and Informed, sponsored with the Senior Federation has been postponed to Thursday, February 26. The Senior Federation is looking for a speaker who will be a 'draw' for seniors. The ICA is joining in planning this meeting.
- Community Dance at the Hopkins Community Center – Friday, February 13, will feature the "Castaways". Dance lesson at 6:15, ballroom dancing from 7:15 – 10:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help set up; talk with Lois about what is needed.
- Discussion about the possibility of sponsoring an Ann Smith Day during the summer to honor the gift to the city of a large acreage by centenarian Ann Smith. The property is across from Meadow Park. Ron will bring pictures of the property. Janet Larson, naturalist, could be a speaker.
- Steve mentioned that a new 12-15 mile bike group will be formed next summer.
- Walking group led by Gerry Petersen meets on Monday mornings.

#### Committee Reports

- Program – Karen had no report.
- Sunshine – Ruby reported no cards were needed to be sent.
- Volunteers – Ruby reported that all current events are covered, but volunteers will be needed for the breakfast at Applebee's.
- Senior Federation – Richard Koenig attended the meeting. (See New Business)

#### Dates to Remember:

- Holiday Gala – Tuesday, December 16 at noon.
- Medicare Part D – Thursday, December 11 at 1:00.
- Moonlight Walk to Jidana Lane Park on Friday, December 12.

**Next Meeting: January 13 at home of Lois King, 2631 Abbey Hill Drive, Minnetonka. 10:00 a.m. Potluck, bring something to share. Car pool from the Community Center at 9:45 a.m. in the parking lot.**

Beverly Montgomery, Secretary