SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION Regular Meeting December 6, 2022 Minutes

The Senior Citizen's Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on December 6, 2022 at 1:00 at the Senior Center. Present at the meeting was the Chair, Paula Friez, Vice Chair, Ray Soma and members Cheryl Udin, Corenda Haugh, and Leslie Shea. The Director of Senior and Social Services Carrie Concatelli was also in attendance.

1: Call to order

Paula Friez called the meeting to order at 1:15. Due to high attendance at the Center and preparations for holiday families underway, the meeting had to be relocated to the lobby as the rooms in the Municipal Building were locked.

2. Public Comment None

3. Approval of Minutes

Ray Soma made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Leslie Shea and was passed with one abstention.

4. Municipal Agent Report

Carrie Concatelli is working on the year-end and planning for 2023. It was reported that the shed had been cleaned out and painted. With increased usage at the Center and with increased food costs, balancing the needs and the budget is always a concern.

5. Old Business

Paula Friez reported that the Halloween and Veterans Day events were a success and well attended. The Thanksgiving Baskets by the Senior Inc., were lovely. Those attending the decorating morning were delighted with Barbara and her efforts were well appreciated.

6. New Business

The upcoming Christmas party at Villa Louisa is planned, 50 people have signed up to date and that Michelle has been very accommodating in the planning to all anticipated senior needs. With increased participation at the Center, there was some discussion of using the empty rooms vacated by the Y program to further accommodate the space needs. It was suggested that this space be considered more frequently as some of the holiday programs/preparations have forced some relocation of existing and expanding programs. The annual report is due and budget items are being considered with renewed focus on restoring additional staffing to programs. The 25th anniversary of Senior Center is 2023 and there was some discussion of the possible ways to celebrate our Center.

7. Adjournment

Corenda made a motion to adjourn at 2:00; Ray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Shea