

Senior Commission Meeting

April 4, 2023

Minutes

The Senior Commission met on Tuesday April 4, 2023 at the Senior Office. Carole Lowery called the meeting to order at 10:00. Those present were Ann Alfano, Roberta Britton, La Fondria Brown, Jerry Chancey, Joyce Chancey, Carolyn Conner, Debbie Doering, John Jaworski, Dennise Lafferre, Carole Lowery, Gene Royce, Lisa Smith, Rosemary Wall and Tom Wilkinson. Excused were Pat Helfrich, Carl Knutson, Hector Nunez and Brenda Stokes.

MINUTES:

The minutes to the March meeting were read by Carole Lowery. The minutes were approved by La Fondria Brown and Ann Alfano.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's report was read by Jerry Chancey. Jerry read all the payments and deposits. Jerry stated that if you look at February to the end of March we have more money, even with the loss of \$110.00 from St. Pat's. Jerry stated the check book has balanced. The Treasury report was approved by Debbie Doering and seconded by Dennise Lafferre.

OLD BUSINESS:

St. Patrick's Party & Bingo Recap:

Peggy wanted to get the commission members opinions on the party. Everyone agreed the food and entertainment were wonderful. Peggy suggested that, next year buy some small Irish flags to bring out the orange, and everyone agreed to this. Peggy stated that the caterer had come close to not having enough plates. Peggy suggested we buy some and have on hand just in case. Everyone agreed to this, and Peggy will purchase these from SAM's. Peggy stated next year we will get the popcorn right.

Catering 2023:

Peggy suggested we revisit the conversation about choosing a caterer for our New Year's Eve and Halloween. Peggy let the commission know that when she talked with Tony Lonero from Lonero catering he can supply linens, backdrops and up lighting. Peggy suggested that we should think about the advantage of borrowing these items and the money we would save. After many questions and discussion, the Senior Commission voted to have Lonero catering cater New Year's Eve. The Senior Commission voted to have Tornatores cater Halloween.

Meet & Greet:

Peggy asked the Senior Commission their thoughts on the last Meet & Greet. Everyone really enjoyed Christina Bennett from Hendel's.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tax Preparation 2023:

Peggy wanted to thank everyone again for helping. Peggy stated we had a really good tax season and everything went very well. We actually still have a few appointments available.

Resource Fair April 11:

Peggy stated that there will be a lot of prep work for setup through the parks department the day before. The Senior Commission really needs to just work the registration, drink and donut station and hand out bags the day of the fair. Peggy took attendance for those who could work.

Debby Lennon Trip May 10:

Peggy stated we have tickets left. We sold 36 tickets.

Carnival Party:

Peggy stated she has reached out to all the sponsors and explained their game and prizes.

- Menu:
Hot Dogs, Chips, Doozles Ice Cream Peggy stated that her husband and Carol's husband would BBQ the Hot Dogs.

- Drinks:
Strawberry Lemonade on the table and Tea, Water and Coffee will be made for self-serve.
- Snacks:
Animal Crackers, Popcorn and Doozles
- Entertainment:
Moolah Shriner clowns, Circus Kaput and Ron Smith as our Ring Master.
- Games:
There will be 6 games. Cake Walk, Lollipop Pull, Ring Toss, Duck Pond, Tic Tac Toe, and Grab Bags. Peggy stated that we can direct the guests to games that have a shorter line. Peggy suggested we start the cake walk with 7 people. The sponsor will need more cakes. Peggy has reached out to ask them to bring upwards of 30. We will have a Pot of Gold and Basket Raffle.
- Decorations:
Peggy stated we will have to take inventory and we will definitely need balloons.
Cardinal Bingo w/Mayor Lowery:
Peggy stated she had talked with Tony Lonero and he will charge us \$10.50 per person.
- Menu:
Fried Chicken, Beef Brisket, Loaded Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Green Beans, Salad & Rolls. Peggy stated that Tony suggested we have a variety of desserts. After much discussion the Senior Commission really liked that idea but thought there would be some really unhappy guests when they didn't get the dessert of their choice. The Senior Commission voted and decided to have all one dessert - Apple pie.
- Entertainment:
Mayor Lowery will be calling Bingo. Fredbird will arrive after Bingo. Jerry stated last time people were leaving before Fred Bird left. Peggy suggested we call the attendance prizes after Fredbird leaves.
- Bingo Prizes:
Peggy stated we have to check our inventory and speak with Cindy and then purchase gifts.
- Attendance Prizes: Will be discussed at the May Senior Commission meeting.
Community Involvement:
- Shirts:
Kathy showed the Senior Commission shirt styles and colors they could choose from. Everyone agreed they like the color True Blue. Kathy will show them more styles in that color at the May Senior Commission meeting.
- Queens Dinner Sunday April 16:
Peggy stated for those who can work that we need to be there at 5:00pm. Peggy thanked the Senior Commission for donating their time to serving dinner.
- Dennise announced that the Senior Pageant will be April 3, 2023 at James J. Eagan.
The meeting was moved to adjourn by La Fondria Brown and seconded by Debbie Doering.
The minutes taken by Kathy Biondo