

CITY OF FLORISSANT
Senior Advisory Commission Minutes



June 4, 2024

The Senior Commission met at the Senior Center, 315 Howdershell Rd., on Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 10:06am with Treasurer, Jerry Chancey presiding.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Ann Alfano, Roberta Britton, La Fondria Brown, Jerry Chancey, Carolyn Conner, Debbie Doering, Pat Helfrich, Dennise Lafferre, Hector Nunez, Gene Royce, Lisa Smith, Brenda Stokes, Rosemary Wall. Those excused were Joyce Chancey, Carol Liebler, Carole Lowery and Tom Wilkinson

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATION

Peggy stated we have one opening on the Senior Commission. Tom Wilkinson stated at the last May meeting that he may know someone interested. Peggy asked if anyone knows Seniors that would be interested to please contact her. Peggy stated that we looked over the agenda format and changed the agenda slightly. Peggy informed the Senior Commission that the City Clerk takes care of all the Commissions. The Mayor asked the City Clerk to print and pass out handbooks for each Commission. There is no change in anything on the Senior Commission. We will still have a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes to the May meeting were read by Dennise Lafferre. The minutes were approved by La Fondria Brown and seconded by Debbie Doering.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jerry read the Treasurer's Report and stated nothing had changed. The Treasurer's Report was approved by Lisa Smith and seconded by Pat Helfrich.

OLD BUSINESS

Recap - Meet & Greet - Rescheduled Wildlife Command Center, Tuesday, May 14

Peggy asked Senior Commission members who attended their thoughts. Everyone enjoyed their presentation. Peggy stated that this was the most we had paid for a Meet & Greet.

Recap - Meet & Greet - Gina Siebe with Historic Florissant, Inc., Tuesday, May 28

Peggy asked Senior Commission members that attended their thoughts. Carolyn thought Gina shared new information about Historic Florissant. Everyone always enjoys hearing historic history from your city.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Officers - Peggy stated at the last meeting for members to let her know if there is anyone interested in running for the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer. Peggy stated that voting will be postponed due to the fact that four Senior Commission members were absent including the Chairman, voting will take place at a later Senior Commission meeting. Peggy asked again if there is any interest, to please contact the office.

Exercise Classes – Signups June 10

We now have 5 classes. two-Line dance. one Joints in motion, and two Stretch and Strengthen. Mary stated that these exercise classes are well received and attended.

Day Time Dance – Thursday, June 20

We are now selling tickets. Please see Kathy after the Senior Commission Meeting if you would like to purchase your ticket. Peggy stated we will accept walk-ins again. Carolyn asked if attendance was low because food was not being offered. Jerry suggested that we advertise on the digital outside board at JFK.

Meet & Greet - Author Julie Nicolai – Enslavement and the Underground Railroad in Missouri and Illinois, Tuesday, June 25

Kathy will pass out sign-up sheet if any Senior Commission members would like to attend.

Swing for the Red, White & Blue Party – Thursday, July 11

Peggy stated that the entertainment will be the Sentimental Journey Dance Band. Peggy has contacted the Council, Mayor, cities and churches to advertise. Peggy stated that she has asked the council to bartend like they do for New Year's Eve. There will be a Color Guard Ceremony that will open this event. Senior Commission agreed to have pretzels and cheese for the snacks. Tornatores will cater and the menu will be a 1940's theme with Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, peas, salad, rolls and butter. Senior Commission agreed to purchase dessert and all mutually agreed to have apple pie. Peggy stated that we will have to purchase a small amount of soda, beer and wine. Decorations will be Red, White & Blue and we will purchase individual boxed candy cigarettes. Peggy asked Zach Schneider on our Florissant Veteran's Commission if he would be interested in attending and speaking but unfortunately Zach cannot attend. Zach reached out to other Commission members to see if they can speak and someone has agreed and will contact Peggy. Setup will be on Wednesday, July 10, at 2:00pm, and Senior Commission will arrive on Thursday, July 11 at 11:30am.

Halloween – Thursday, October 24, 10:00am – 2:00pm

Peggy stated that Senior Commission needs to decide on a menu and entertainment. After much discussion on menu Senior Commission would like to get recommendations and prices from Tornatores. Rosemary suggested that she could reach out to a friend who participates in Legends & Lanterns on Main St. in Saint Charles. La Fondria suggested entertainers Scott & Karl. Brenda suggested musical band Fanfare. Everyone mutually agreed 1st Legends & Lanterns, 2nd Scott & Karl and 3rd Fanfare. Senior Commission mutually agreed they would like to continue a costume contest and play bingo. Halloween will be discussed at further Senior Commission meetings.

Calendar of Events 2025

Peggy stated we need to start discussions for what we would like to see for the year 2025.

ADJOURNMENT

Next Senior Commission Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 10:00am.

La Fondria moved to adjourn at 11:26 and seconded by Lisa Smith.

Clerk Typist

Kathy Biando