

**CITY OF FLORISSANT**  
**Senior Advisory Commission Minutes**



August 6, 2024

The Senior Commission met at the Senior Center, 315 Howdershell Rd., on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 10:05am with Vice Chair Dennise Lafferre nominating Treasurer Jerry Chancey to preside.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATION**

Mary announced that Peggy has fully retired from the City of Florissant Senior Department. Mary discussed purchasing a white dogwood tree from Waldbart Nursery and plaque for a memorial for Carole Lowery. Mary mentioned Kathy will be collecting the \$10.00 donation from each Senior Commission member to go towards Carole Lowery's tree and plaque. Mary stated she will be reaching out to the Mayor about dedicating the tree to Carole after the October Senior Commission meeting. Mary announced we have two guests Darlene Barrett and Sandy Duggan attending our meeting and deciding if they are interested in joining the Senior Commission. Mary asked Senior Commission members if they would like to attend the Florissant Fall Festival and sell coffee cups and make a basket to raffle. All Senior Commission members agreed to have a table again this year. Oktoberfest will be on Sunday, October 13, 2024 from 10:00am to 5:00pm on St. Francois Street in Old Town Florissant.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes to the July meeting were read by Jerry Chancey. The minutes were approved by Hector Nunez and seconded by Pat Helfrich.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Jerry read the Treasurer's Report. Jerry explained all charges and deposits. The Treasurer's Report was approved by La Fondria Brown and seconded by Carolyn Conner.

**OLD BUSINESS**

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

Mary stated this party turned out to be a really good party. We had 150 guests in attendance. Garden Plaza donated the apple pies, so that really helped with the expenses. Everyone agreed that the music and food was really good. Everyone agreed that we hold parties from 10:00am to 2:00pm. This would be a party they would like to have again.

**Recap – Meet & Greet – Barbara Kay – A World War II Sing -A-Long**

Everyone agreed that Barbara Kay is always enjoyable.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Election of Officers**

Mary explained that she would be passing around a ballot with the names of Senior Commission members who expressed interest in Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer and also included a spot to write in any nominations. Mary asked if anyone else would be interested in running or want to nominate someone. All sixteen Senior Commission members voted and returned their ballot to Mary. Mary tallied all the nominations. Lisa Smith was voted in as Chair, Dennise Lafferre as Vice Chair, and Jerry Chancey as Treasurer. Mary explained this a one-year term expiring August 2025.

**Mayor's Town Hall - Thursday, September 12, 9:00am-11:00am**

Mary stated that St. Catherine and Veronica Place would be sponsoring breakfast this year. Senior

Commission will be serving breakfast. Mary will take attendance to help with serving at the September Senior Commission meeting.

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

Mary stated she has three menu choices from Tornatore's they are Baked Ziti, Chicken Piccata and Spaghetti and Meatballs. All meals would have a veggie, salad and a bread stick the price is \$12.50. Mary stated she spoke with Tornatore's and asked if we could replace the veggie with toasted ravioli.

Tornatore's agreed and the price would be \$12.75. Jerry asked Senior Commission members to vote and they agreed to have spaghetti and meatballs, toasted ravioli, salad and bread stick. Desert will be red velvet cupcakes. Rosemary had given Mary information for Ryan Cooper for Legends and Lanterns.

Mary spoke to Ryan Cooper and they both decided that this really wouldn't be the something they could do, St. Charles likes to keep their characters within St. Charles Legends and Lanterns. Ryan had a wonderful recommendation for a gentleman whose name is Larry Marsh who is with the Hawthorne Players. Larry does a wonderful performance from people who have died and are buried at Valhalla Cemetery. There will be more information at the September Senior Commission meeting. Entertainment will also consist of bingo and a Halloween costume contest.

**Calendar of Events 2025**

Mary stated that we will be discussing as a Senior office team and will share our ideas in the upcoming months. Mary stated to please feel free to call, stop by or email suggestions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Senior Commission Meeting will be on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 10:00am.**

**Tom Wilkinson moved to adjourn at 11:08am and seconded by Hector Nunez**

Clerk Typist

*Kathy Biundo*