

OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION OCTOBER 1, 2015

MEETING of the **OLDER PERSONS' COMMISSION** held at the Older Persons' Activity Center, 650 Letica Drive, Rochester, Oakland County, Michigan, 48307.

CALL TO ORDER

The Thursday, October 1, 2015, Governing Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Bikson at 5:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 6) Stuart Bikson, Kevin Brown, John (Jack) Dalton,
Micheline Sommers, Lucy Strand, Mark Tisdel

Absent: 2) Terry Gonser, William Jandeska

QUORUM PRESENT

Others Present: Renee Cortright, Older Persons' Commission Executive Director
Tim Soave, Older Persons' Commission Finance Director

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA - none

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2015, MINUTES

MOTION by Dalton, supported by Sommers, **Resolved**, to approve the Minutes of September 1, 2015, as presented.

Aye: 6) Bikson, Brown, Dalton, Sommers, Strand, Tisdel

Nay: 0)

Absent: 2) Gonser, Jandeska

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS – none

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

E.D. Cortright reported the following:

- A millage mailing went to 9,000 absentee voters on September 21st. Buttons were distributed to members that say to vote. The Committee is distributing buttons that say to vote "yes." Due to a donation to the Committee, yard signs will be made.
- Update on My Senior Center – In the process of putting in members' names and activities. Over 300 applications were received with key tags given out.
- The OPC website has suffered extensive hacking and cannot be repaired to its original state. Courtland Consulting is doing a splash page which will serve as a temporary home page while a new site is designed.
- Tim Soave and E.D. Cortright met with Phil Bertolini, Oakland County Chief Information Officer to review OPC's current IT structure. Based on his input, they

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decided to develop an RFP for OPC's IT needs which was sent out to several companies in the area.

- A preliminary report from EDSS on the facilities energy use, stated that OPC is on the low end for acceptance into the program, and OPC is working with Nexant to determine if there are enough qualifying energy efficiency measures for acceptance into the program. This means, the facility is already operating very well, in terms of energy consumption.
- An annual meeting will be held in February 2016, for OPC members, and donors, to provide an overview of the programs and services, along with a brief budget review, to better understand the operations of the facility.
- Discussion of concerns, by members, regarding Terrific Tuesday opening to guests, a question on a rental property, and six month memberships for nonresidents.
- A meeting was held with John Burmeister, Rochester Fire Inspector, to review the tornado and fire drill processes. The emergency room maps will be updated. There will be a mock fire drill in the next couple of weeks.
- Volunteers from Chrysler and OPC, and school children, spent a day and a half making apple pies. 1700 were sold, and the total profit was over \$16,000.
- The Used Jewelry Sale netted over \$13,000, thanks to Paula Bedsole and the Art Department Volunteers.
- The Late Bloomer Garden Group, led by Nancy Szerlag, will be recognized by the Rochester Garden Club on October 13, 2015, for their great job with the pond and surrounding gardens.
- Beatles, Brats, Burgers and Beer, with the Toppermost Beatles Tribute Band is Friday, October 23, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.
- An Open House for Rhonda Nelson, Programs and Art Department Head is October 27, 2015, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., in the OPC Dining Room. Rhonda is retiring after 22 years of service to area seniors.
- OPC Senior Day at Bloomer Park, on September 16th, was a great success, with over 600 in attendance.
- Recent fundraisers to benefit OPC by local organizations: Rochester Junior Women's Club Annual Lobster Boil last weekend, the 16th Annual Rochester Kiwanis Simply Soup Supper, on October 1st, and Sanctuary at Bellbrook's Pancake Breakfast, on October 28th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee –

- **Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer Dalton advised the Committee did not meet.

- **Review of the Bills for the month of August, 2015, in the amount of \$43,652.40**
MOTION by Strand, supported by Brown, **Resolved**, to accept the August 2015, Bills, in the amount of \$43,652.40, as presented.

Aye: 6) Bikson, Brown, Dalton, Sommers, Strand, Tisdell

Nay: 0)

Absent: 2) Gonser, Jandeska

MOTION CARRIED

- **Facility Committee** –

Chairman Bikson gave an overview of a recent meeting, where the main topic was the PAR property, and how to proceed. The Committee is still in the preliminary stage of formulating some ideas, and will report any progress. Victor Dorer, Maintenance Department Head, reported on the DTE Audit, which recommended programmable thermostats and a thermal pool cover to save energy. He also reviewed the current building systems.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- Commissioner Brown reported that Rochester Hills' Budget was unanimously approved, with funding for OPC. He commented on the RARA, Schools, and OPC millage vote, at the same time.
- Secretary Strand asked for an opinion on a newspaper advertisement where Marye Miller was featured as the OPC Emerita in a campaign advertisement for Ravi Yalamanchi, for Mayor of Rochester Hills. She stated that it looks like it could involve OPC and does not think it is proper.
- Chairman Bikson reported that the City of Rochester has agreed on a contract for a new City Manager, who will begin on November 1, 2015.
- Treasurer Dalton proposed to make a motion to consider having an annual meeting in early 2016 and would like to see the Board stand behind it. Chairman Bikson asked E.D. Cortright to prepare a plan at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bikson adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015, AT 5:00 P.M.

Signed & Approved 11/05/15

LUCY STRAND, SECRETARY
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