# MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 9, 2016 MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMISSION ON AGING American Legion Memorial Civic Center Morton Grove, Illinois 60053

Pursuant to proper notice in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the regular meeting of the Advisory Commission on Aging was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Chairperson Marrazzo. The roll was called. In attendance were:

Members of Commission Present: Chairperson Ann Marrazzo,

Commissioners Agnes Quinn, Dr. Alma

Labunski, and Iris Nason

Members Absent Commissioner Nancy Lanning

Liaison John Thill, Trustee

Village/Staff Present: Tom Friel, Fire Chief

Visitors Present: Rebekah Philippart, Social Services

Ovie Salgado, Mather LifeWays

Commissioner Labunski moved to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2016, meeting. The minutes were seconded by Commissioner Quinn. Minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Old Business:**

Chief Friel stated Morretti's still needs an environmental clean-up. The cost is in negotiations between Morretti's and the Village. Fall 2017 is still a possible opening date if negotiations go well.

## **New Business**

The Commissioners requested a revised contact list. Chief Friel stated he would let Marlene know and a new list will be available at the next meeting.

Trustee John Thill will be liaison to the Commission in the future. Should anyone have questions, feel free to contact either Administrator Ralph Czerwinski or Trustee John Thill.

Trustee Thill stated the Bath Supply Outfit at Dempster Street and Parkside Avenue will expand from a 1 ½ story to a 3 story business. Hopefully, other businesses in the area will expand also.

The southwest corner of Ferris Avenue and Capulina Avenue (the old furniture store) will now hold 24 townhouses. Lexington Homes has presented plans to the Village and they have been approved. This same Developer will build 3 townhouses on the northeast corner of Ferris Avenue and Capulina Avenue.

At the corner of Waukegan Road and just south of Dempster Street, demolition and building of 180 rental units and stores will begin. This is scheduled to start in August/September.

The Village is trying to have the northwest corner of Waukegan Road and Dempster Street tear down the property and clean up the site so it can be sold.

It was stated the Fire Chief, Tom Friel, will retire. The Commissioners thanked him for all his help and wished him well.

A Commissioner asked about the Civic Center sign. Chief Friel stated in the agreement between the Village and the Legion, the outside of the building including the sign shall stay as is. The Village did try to lighten up the sign but because the material it is constructed in, the process did not help. The sign will stay as is.

### **Report from Commissioners**

There are no comments from visitors.

### **Liaison Reports**

September is National Emergency Preparedness month. All are encouraged to participate in events that support emergency preparedness at all levels, such as, check your home disaster kit, etc. Every Tuesday the sirens are tested but on September 6 the Mass Communication Network (through the phones) and sirens will be tested. Your phone will ring (or your cell phone if you signed up the number) and if you pick up, it will ask you to hit #1 if you received the message. This will update your number in the Villages system. If you are not home, and the machine answers, it will count as you answered. If the calls get directed to an inactive phone, those numbers will be taken off our list. This is maintenance for the Village and it shows that we have your correct number. We are trying to get the word out to everyone.

The electricity will also revert back to ComEd in September 2016. The aggregation saved the residents a substantial amount of money; however, the Village feels it is in the best interest of the residents to revert back to ComEd. This suggestion is made by our electrical consultants.

Discussion centered around a Village wide sponsored "Lifeline" system. The Village would have difficulty setting up such a program. There cannot be an exclusive program offered to residents unless there is a compelling public interest.

## **Comments from Visitor**

There are no comments from visitors.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Commissioner Nason moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Labunski and approved unanimously pursuant to a voice vote.

Next regular meeting is scheduled for 1:00 pm, September 13, 2016, and will be held at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center.

Chairperson Anne Marrazzo