



AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS (ACS)

Monday, March 1, 2021

1:00 p.m.

**Aurora Center for Active Adults
30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, CO 80011**

MINUTES

ACS MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeannie Davis, Chair; Sandy Thomas, Vice-Chair; Gloria Shea, Recording Secretary; Juanita Audra; Barbara Schneller; Christina Hollister; Kathy Newton

ACS MEMBERS ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: Ronald Roulhac, Facility Supervisor ACAA, ACS Liaison; Jan Hamburg, Superintendent Youth Services Department; Beth Yacono, Acting Superintendent Recreational Programs; Lori Sanchez, Recreation Supervisor Morning Star; Lauren O'Connell, Representative from Colorado Coalition on Aging.

CALL TO ORDER: By Chair at 1:01 PM

INTRODUCTIONS: All the above

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: The Commissioners acknowledged reviewing the February 1, 2021 minutes. Upon a motion, second, and unanimous vote, the minutes were approved as presented.

SPEAKER(S): none

BUDGET REPORT: No change

LIAISON REPORTS:

Aurora Center for Active Adults – Ronald Roulhac, Aurora Center for Active Adults (ACAA) Supervisor

- Activities remain at Expo Recreation Center.



- Tax preparation appointments are in place but limited.
- Annual Senior Forum had initial planning meeting. This year's event will be virtual.
- ACAA BUZZ, newest edition is out. Jeannie has submitted articles for the next two publications.

Arapahoe County Council on Aging (ACCoA) – Barbara Schneller, Commissioner

- Barbara has minutes from January 25 meeting, COVID related topics. Barbara attended the Feb 22 meeting, interesting presentation. The speakers were from "Wish of a Lifetime" which is under AARP. People over 65 can apply online or hard copy to get a wish they always wanted to do in their lifetime. No financials are needed and the wish can be anything.

Aurora Senior Circle – Jeannie Davis, Commissioner

- No report. Meeting will be 3/10/21.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislative – Sandy Thomas, Commissioner

- Sandy attended CSL 3/1/21 meeting. Sandy reviewed SB21-118 initially presented last meeting. The bill is a program regarding protective services for at risk adults. The Bill proposes a triage of action when a report of abuse is made. Currently local police are first responders. This bill would have social services as first responder to determine the level of follow-up needed. If criminal activity is suspected the case would then fall under police jurisdiction. The fiscal portion of the bill process not yet determined. Sandy would like the Commissioners to review and comment. Sandy stated she will contact Officer Jim Seneca for his thoughts. Re-evaluation after additional research.
- There is upcoming workshop by Jeannette Hensley, "Citizen Lobbying", 3/18/21.

Transportation Solutions – Christina Hollister, Commissioner

- Nothing new.

Public Relations – Juanita Audre, Commissioner

- Commissioners are in favor of the loop monitors when they are available.
- Ronald

Intergenerational Support- Kathy Newton, Commissioner

Kathy, Barbara, Lori, and Juanita will work regarding activities that celebrate age. See New Business for further explanation.



WARD MEETINGS:

- Barbara attended Ward V meeting multiple Homelessness Advocates reporting activities. Jeannie read dates from the Water Bill insert for all upcoming Ward and At-Large meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

- Organizational Name Change: Jeannie made a presentation to several City Council persons, it was well received. Ronald stated that Councilperson Coombs invites any Commissioner to speak at a study session. The issue remains in progress.
- Candidate Application: Letters were forwarded to study sessions, approval is in progress. George Bain invited to attend ACS meeting.
- Library Proposal: Nothing new, Gloria will supply all Aurora Libraries with remaining "Rail Cards".
- Emergency Card dispersal remains pending name change.
- This year's Senior Forum will continue with the same theme as 2020 plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2021 Goals, we will continue with the topics of Education, Information Dissemination, Communication, Marketing, Legislation, and Transportation.
- For Education and Information Dissemination the new Committee of Intergenerational Support with a basic goal of Celebrating Age has been established. The goal will help to enhance the perception of all ages for and by all ages. Kathy stated they will partner with Jan Hamburg and the Youth Commission. Kathy stated that "Tips" might be added to the BUZZ newsletter and presentations offered to Councilpersons during their respective Ward meetings.
- For an upcoming education piece we work with "Change the Narrative" see if they would present as one of our quarterly workshop presentations. This may be a train the trainer then we would present subsequently to groups. More to follow.
- Topics for Virtual workshops: Fraud (Officer Seneca), CSL (Capital Gang) per Jeanette Hensley, George Bain on financial management, Care-giving, Jodi Waterhouse from Anschutz and their aging population activities, and Lori Sanchez' Morningstar Day Program.
- Ronald would like to add a link so that any information to ACS could subsequently be submitted to the public as a way to introduce our Commission.
- Develop a schedule of speakers for our ACS meetings.
- Our marketing point person will be Erin. Ronald will invite her to a meeting to see how she might be able to help us, although she is working on Forum activities. Jeannie requests Commissioners check our online website and review for any needed updates.



- Review of local senior commissions for our partnerships in subsequent activities. Lauren from the Colorado Commission invites one of us present at the State level; this meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2021. It is recommended that Centennial and Adams County might (Tri-county) be our first contacts with others to follow.
- Ronald stated he would like Commissioners to write and edit any possible topics for the BUZZ and be cautious of copy written material.
- Annual report for 2021 activity and goal actions to the City Council overview presented to the Commissioners by Jeannie. Ronald recommends some changes for more positive spin to the document; this document will be presented to Commissioners for final review at the April meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Date: April 5, 2021

Time: 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion, a second, and consensus of the commission the meeting was adjourned at 2:53 pm.

Jeannie Davis, Chairperson
Aurora Commission for Seniors

Jeannie Davis

Date 9-27-21

Gloria Shea, Commissioner
and Recording Secretary

Gloria Shea

Date September 21, 2021

ADOPTED April 5, 2021