



AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS (ACS)

Monday, November 2, 2020

1:00 p.m.

Aurora Center for Active Adults

30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, CO 80011

Virtual

MINUTES

ACS MEMBERS PRESENT: Juanita Audre, Chair; Barbara Schneller, Gloria Shea, Sandy Thomas, Kathy Newton, Christina Hollister

ACS MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeannie Davis

OTHERS PRESENT: Ronald Roulhac, Recreation Supervisor; Lori Sanchez, Recreation Supervisor; Lauren O'Connell, Colorado Commission on Aging;

CALL TO ORDER: By ACS Chair, Juanita Audre, at 1:03 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS: Lauren O'Connell, Colorado Coalition on Aging

ADOPTION OF ACS MINUTES: Sandy asks that minutes for 10/5/20 meeting be amended, she read and provided a scripted hard copy to Gloria, then a motion and second was made to approve the amended minutes.

GUEST SPEAKER: No speaker

LIAISON REPORTS

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

- Ronald says all Colorado Counties have dialed back restrictive stages regarding the virus. ACAA will be closed until 2021; the parking lot is being utilized for COVID testing. Officer Jim Seneca's office will remain available at ACAA. ACAA, VOA, Meals on Wheels, and Food Bank of the Rockies have distributed 35,000 meals and will continue this activity at Expo. Ron will be working out of Expo Recreation Center but does have access to ACAA. ACAA is creating a newsletter, and Ron will review any topic for inclusion in that newsletter. Some virtual classes



continue for Seniors. Ron says COA is providing many other services for Aurora's families and citizens. Ron says pre-visit calls need to be made to the various Recreation Centers prior to attending any activity for confirmation of closures or cancellations.

Legislative Committee: Sandy Thomas

- Sandy attended a CSL meeting this morning, where the Governor released the proposed 20-21 budget.

Arapahoe County Council on Aging (ACCoA): Barbara Schneller

- No report

Senior Circle: Jeannie Davis

- No report

Transportation Solutions: Christina Hollister

- Christina continues to attend various meetings related to transportation issues and will update ACS. (ex. GOGO grandparent, a possible resource for rides when the person does not have a cell phone)

Public Relations: Juanita Audre

- Juanita has nothing new. Barb and Kathy have reached out to Centennial's Senior focus group and brainstormed ideas (ex. Active Minds). Ron again mentions he will review submissions for entry in the ACAA newsletter. Please submit anything you think might be helpful.

WARD MEETINGS

- Gloria Shea, Ward 3. The presentation was Commander Chad Lanigan, APD (Aurora Police Department). His Power Point presentation is about a new approach the Department is taking in relating to the public. "A New Way", 5 pillars of focus to help rebuild the trust of the public. The presentation is online; he encourages citizens to review and contact the police department with questions. After this report a dialogue began with Sandy relaying information about her PAR officer support regarding a neighborhood issue. PAR (Police Area Representative) Officers are available in all areas of the city, attend the Ward meetings, and are the first line problem solvers for any non-emergent situation

OLD BUSINESS

- Juanita Emergency Cards on hold pending the ACS name change, sleeve source still pending. Lauren asks to have a copy of the emergency card, an email attachment will be sent.



- COA vacancies are delaying a lot of activity from the City Council.
- Rail-card's distribution discussed and a plan implemented to deliver them to the cities' libraries.
- We are still not on "Next Door" for ACS vacancies.
- Ron mentions ACS can contact any department (ex. Urban development, Code issues) in the COA regarding their efforts impacting Older Adult citizens. This then opens a dialogue and helps them include ACS/Older Adults in their planning initiatives.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Juanita Audre asks for ideas how we can make sure seniors aren't so isolated.
- By-laws update, Chair and Vice-Chair reviewed and clarifications discussed; the officer election process planned. Updated information discussed and approved by ACS and a final draft will be voted on next meeting.
- Sandy and Kathy have volunteered to be the Nominating committee to work with Vice-Chair Jeannie to prepare a panel of candidates for ACS Officer Elections to be done at the meeting in December 2020.
- Juanita has contacted the Chair of Centennial Commission for Seniors; Juanita would like to contemplate a coordination/coalition of Commissions for services or programs. Ron encourages us to follow-up with this plan, members concur to the sharing of ideas. Possible virtual meeting??

NEXT MEETING

Date: Monday, December 7, 2020

Time: 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion and a second were made to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passes at 2:46 p.m.

Juanita Audre, Chair

Aurora Commission for Seniors

Date 9/21/21

Gloria Shea, Commissioner and Recording Secretary

Date September 21, 2021



ADOPTED December 7, 2020