

**CLARENCE SENIOR CITIZENS, Inc.
4600 THOMPSON ROAD
CLARENCE, NY 14031**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Date: September 14, 2023**

Meeting called to order in room 7 at 9:00 am by Chair Lori Adams.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Lori Adams, Jim Blum, Brendan Cullinan, Carol Gettings, Bob Hoag,
Michael Ramaccia, Rosemond Ruhland, Paul Schulz, Wayne West.

EXCUSED: Violet Oldenski, Jay Steinbrenner.

Executive Director: Heather Kraemer

Town Board Liaison: Bob Geiger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MISSION STATEMENT - Carol Gettings.

SECRETARY'S REPORT- Jim Blum

August 16, 2023 Regular Board meeting minutes distributed.

Motion to accept draft minutes of August 16, 2023 made by Jim Blum. Second by Paul Schulz.
Voting to approve draft August 16 minutes aye (8) Blum, Cullinan, Gettings, Hoag, Ramaccia,
Ruhland, Schulz, West.

Voting nay (0). Voting abstain (0).

Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Bob Hoag

Financial Reports - Comments on July Financial Reports. Working on August financials. Good cash position because we received stipend from Town in June. Our Vanguard investments have continued to go up a little every month. We spent grant money on kitchen items. The increase in net income is due to other than normal operations like investments and donations.

Our operations are pretty close to break even.

Activities continue to be about break even.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT - Lori Adams

Nothing to report.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Heather Kraemer.

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As of 8/31/2023 - Paid members 1034; Total bus mileage 33,790

Month of August - New members 23; Total Attendance 1,525; Activities 1,510; Special Events 341; Off-Site Events 188; Lunch Meals 496; Meals (frozen) 331; Dinners served ; shuttle riders 96; shuttle miles 1,160.

Comments - Fraud seminar was well received. Annual basket raffle raised over \$4,000. which is more than recent years. Good ideas came from the Travel meeting which included longer term events and possibly larger ship. We have a new ceramics teacher. We will try one weekend day per month beginning with a Bills party in October. Staff schedules will be rearranged to accommodate with no budget increase. On Saturday, November 18 we will have Shop-A-Latte Local Crafters (artisans selling) for possible Christmas shopping.

Coffee is costing much more than we take in so we need to consider what to do.

August Highlights - Four dinner and movie nights, several Friday afternoon movies

08/01 Casino Trip
08/04 University Express
08/08 "Don't Become a Victim" fraud seminar
08/11 FeedMore of WNY Farmers Market (2nd & 4th Fri)
08/18 Picnic at the Park & Country Singer
08/19 Annual Basket Raffle Fundraiser
08/21 Senior Citizens Day Luncheon
08/23 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
08/23 Seneca Lake Boat tour and Montezuma Wildlife Refuge
08/24 Diners at Ripa's
08/25 FeedMore of WNY Farmers Market (2nd & 4th Fri)
08/28 Travel Meeting
08/28 Birthday Lunch

Special - New Thursday evening hours for dinner and activities

September Events - Ceramics Classes and Book Club meetings start back up

09/01 Flu Shot Clinic
09/12 Active Shooter Presentation
09/18 Travel - The Ark Encounter & Creation Museum - Ohio
09/27 Grand Lady Luncheon Luxury Yacht Cruise
09/28 Diners to Indian Falls.

Future Events

10/01 Sunday Bills game party
10/03 Oktoberfest, Theme Dinner, Frankfurters music

11/18 Shop-A-Latte Local Crafters (artisans selling) Includes Dragon Espresso and small snack vendor

Library - Book sale netted over \$400 to date.

PLANNING - Jim Blum

No report.

Committee Chair comment that Board members should think about whether we recommend to continue with a separate seniors facility when a Town Recreation Center is built.

Strategic Plan - Committee Chair to review previous strategic plan work with ED and consider update.

OLD (unfinished) BUSINESS -

None.

NEW BUSINESS -

New Member Experience Form - Secretary comments that several years ago we authorized use of a voluntary new member experience form developed by the Nominating Committee to be used with the Center member application. It never got started. We should consider implementing something like that to identify candidates who can provide volunteer expertise. Often they do not know about our needs and we don't know about their expertise that could help the Center. It may also identify candidates for the Board.

TOWN BOARD LIAISON - Bob Geiger

- 1) WiFi - Noted value
- 2) Restaurant - 'This Little Pig' cleaned up inside and outside a building and is doing well
- 3) Bike Path Damage - Seeking help to identify car that drove around damaging the bike path.
- 4) Town Tree Program - 500 trees planted at Nature Center, mostly hardwoods, some evergreens, Boy Scouts put protectors on them
 - A grant helped beginning a program of tree planting around Town
- 5) Septic Alarm - Checking on status

PUBLIC COMMENTS (received in writing)

Public Comments - There were no Public Comments submitted at the August Board meeting
- There were no Public Comments submitted at this meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

None.

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ADJOURNMENT - There being no other business, Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:34 am.

TRAINING SESSION - None.

TOWN HAPPENINGS - Bob Geiger - (covered earlier)

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - Thursday, October 12, 2023

Jim Blum, Secretary