

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

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Date: September 9, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Violet Oldenski.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Lori Adams, Corine Artis, Jim Blum, Jeff Buckley, Carol Gettings, Violet Oldenski,
Rosemond Ruhland.

EXCUSED: Dave Meacham, Paul Schulz, Wayne West

Executive Director: Debb Sabbatis

Town Board Liaison: Bob Geiger (not attending)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MISSION STATEMENT - Rosemond Ruhland

SECRETARY'S REPORT- Jim Blum

August 12, 2021 Regular Board meeting minutes draft distributed.

Motion to approve draft minutes of August 12, 2021 made by Jim Blum.

Second by Lori Adams.

Voting to approve draft August 12 minutes aye (5) Artis, Blum, Buckley, Gettings, Ruhland.

Voting nay (0). Voting abstain (1) Adams.

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Wayne West (excused)

September Treasurer's Report - Received and referred for audit.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT - Violet Oldenski

Committee Appointment - Chair appoints Corine Artis to the Personnel Committee. Voting to approve the appointment aye (6) Adams, Artis, Blum, Buckley, Gettings, Ruhland.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Debb Sabbatis.

COF 09/09/2021

As of 08/31/2021 - Paid members 725; Total bus mileage 7211

Month of August - New members 21; Total Attendance 1125; Activities 911;
Special Events 141; Off-Site Events 72; Meals 575; Meals (frozen)196; Dinners 84;
Bus riders 60; Bus miles 880

Comments - 35% increase in membership since April. Attendance is continuing to increase.

August Highlights: Picnic in the Park; Magic Show and Dinner; Desiderio's Dinner Theater; CSCC Diners - Family Tree Restaurant; Medicare Presentation; Trip to Merry-Go-Round Theater; Craft with Nicky; Movie Matinees; Safe Drivers Course; Alzheimers Presentation

Upcoming Programs and Events: Picnic in the Park; Book Club; Wegman's Flu Shots; Bob Poczik Presentation; Balance Presentation; BPO Concert; Dinner and Music with Jimmy C;

University Express - Will be starting in October.

Fundraising - Holiday Cash Raffle - "Put some jingle in your stocking" fundraiser
Event to be held from October 1 to November 22 with drawing on November 22.
For \$10 entry each participant will be entered in a drawing for 1st prize of \$1000,
2nd prize of \$500 and 3rd and 4th prizes of \$250 each.

Election Day - Center will be open on election day but there will be no activities scheduled in room 5A on Tuesday, November 2 due to the election.

Email - The email system is in operation.

Copier - Copier is working fine.

Office Computers - New computers are also working fine. Struggling with disposition of old computers. May keep a couple for the library.

Marketing - Val Pak - Working with Val Pak to cover 60,000 households for three months with a direct mail piece. It will include a QR Code with a direct link to our web site.
Cost will be about \$3,000 which will be from the funds authorized by the Board.

- Tri Fold Brochure - New version now available.

Masks - Have gone back to masks. Erie County will reinstate some guidelines for their programs. Probably masks and social distancing. They will affect our lunch and Band Exercise programs.

Capacity Limits - Room limits for Erie County programs may put us back at 24 people for the full big room. We don't currently have any other capacity limitations either for the total building or for individual rooms.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE & PEC - Violet Oldenski

Both COF 9/2/2021

Executive Committee - Met to set agenda for Board meeting.

Performance Evaluation Committee (PEC) - Met for review with Executive Director.

Key Actions by Month - A guide for what needs to be done. Chair requests Board review it and make any suggestions for improving it.

FINANCE - Wayne West (Jeff Buckley)

Meeting Schedule - Changing so financial reports will be available at the meeting.

Financials - July accepted.

Operating Budget - No comments.

Vanguard Investments - Continue doing well.

Investment Policy - Finance Committee is considering the Financial Investment Policy and will offer something at the November Board meeting to go in effect for the new year.

MEMBERSHIP & PROGRAMS - Rosemond Ruhland

COF 8/16/2021

Board can review the Committee report. Next Committee meeting September 13 @ 9am.

NOMINATING - Lori Adams

No report.

PERSONNEL - Carol Gettings

No report.

LEGISLATION & BYLAWS - Jim Blum

Proposed amendments to allow non resident memberships were discussed last month. Proposal for amendments to Bylaws and revisions to the Membership Policy to allow non Clarence resident members has been posted. Committee Chair briefly reviewed the proposal content.

There has been some misunderstanding regarding non resident membership for former residents and former Center members. We have had those non resident members for a long time.

The only comment regarding the proposals was in Public Comments.

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Motion from the Bylaws Committee to approve the proposed Bylaw amendments as posted. Voting to approve the posted Bylaw amendments aye (6) Adams, Artis, Blum, Buckley, Gettings, Ruhland.

Voting nay (0).

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion from the Bylaws Committee to approve the related revisions to the Membership Policy that includes the dues for non resident members and some clean up.

We also included the Code of Conduct as discussed last Board meeting.

Voting to approve the Membership Policy revisions aye (6) Adams, Artis, Blum, Buckley, Gettings, Ruhland.

Voting nay (0).

Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING - Jim Blum

No report.

OLD (unfinished) BUSINESS -

None.

NEW BUSINESS -

Board Candidates - Comment that we need candidates with business skills for replacements. We will need at least one replacement this year. Each Board member should be looking for them.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

TOWN BOARD LIAISON - Bob Geiger (by Jim Blum)

- 1) New Pavilion - Exhaust fans in roof
- 2) New Pavilion - Cover over cooker for rain

PUBLIC COMMENTS (received in writing)

Chair Comment - Public Comment from September was reviewed. No action was recommended.

.Public Comments - One public comment was received today.

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ADJOURNMENT - There being no other business, Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:24 am.

TRAINING SESSION - None.

TOWN HAPPENINGS - Bob Geiger - Not available today.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - October 14, 2021

Jim Blum, Secretary