

City of Madison

Meeting Minutes - Draft COMMITTEE ON AGING

Wednesday, January 28, 2015	1:30 PM	Madison Senior Center
		330 W. Mifflin St.
		Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Matt Wachter, Katie Crawley, Christine Beatty Guests: Margie Zutter (RSVP), Jim Krueger (North Eastside Coalition)

Faisal Kaud called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 1:35 pm.

- Present: 11 Michael E. Verveer; Lauren Cnare; James C. Lamal; Michael R. Jackson; Edna Canfield; Thomas Frazier; Faisal A. Kaud; Kathleen Whitt; Mary Jo A. Rimkus; Paul H. Kusuda and Rosemary Lee
- Absent: 1 Felicitus Ferington

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of December 3, 2014 meeting were approved on the motion of Edna Canfield and Jim Lamal.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Paul Kusuda is a member of the Dane County Area Aging on Aging.

REPORTS

1. <u>36346</u> Madison Senior Coalitions

Jim Krueger announced the 40TH Anniversary Celebration of the Madison Senior Coalitions, which were developed 1973-1975.. A party is planned in conjunction with the Madison Senior Center Summer Picnic on Sunday, August 9. Jim remarked upon the staff turnover rate at the Coalitions; their salary and benefit packages do not compare to larger non-profits, hospitals or private enterprises.

2. <u>31594</u> Community Services Committee, Fay Ferington

No report

3. <u>35605</u> Madison Senior Center Foundation, Jim Lamal

Meeting is next month, February 18.

4. <u>34533</u> Dane County AAA Housing Task Force, Mary Jo Rimkus

Attachments: Housing 101.pdf

Mary Jo Rimkus believes the task force is discovering good information; they are working with case managers to understand key issues and barriers to senior housing. She mentioned the issues of hoarding, personal legal problems and low income and distributed a handout called, "Housing 101," which contains definitions and common questions.

ACTION ITEMS

5. <u>36947</u> Discussion: City of Madison Housing Report Draft, Matt Wachter

Matt Wachter distributed and reviewed a DRAFT of the section of his housing report related to Senior Housing to committee members for their discussion and feedback. He remarked on Madison demographic information which revealed that, compared to Dane County and the State of WI, seniors make up a significantly smaller percentage of the population. The rate of disability in those over 75 years old is a driver for housing specifically designed for seniors.

The monthly rent for a 1 bedroom apartment in Madison is \$1,400, so income is an additional driver of affordable housing. Median income of a senior household is 25% less than that of households age 45-64. Madison's senior population growth is greatest at the top of the income spectrum (>\$75,000).

Madison expects to use multiple resources from the state and federal government (especially, tax credits), county and city funds, grants through Dane County and City Housing Authorities and incentives to private developers to increase affordable housing stock by 275 units in 2015, with 750-1,000 more in the next five years.

Committee members shared their observations and concerns regarding the report. Some mentioned the need for transportation options, the concern for those in the 100 to 200 percent of the federal poverty levels and the loss of county funding from the shift of seniors away from Madison to rural areas. Good news was the desire to age in place, if possible, and the high net worth of some senior adults.

6. <u>36948</u> United Way Funding for the South Madison Senior Coalition Guardianship Program

Communication from Marcia Hendrickson, Executive Director, indicates that 2015 United Way funding is secured, but will be reduced by 50% in 2016, and eliminated after that. Good news is that South Madison is working on a committee with Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson which may lead to State Justice Department funding for their guardianship program. Marcia expressed her appreciation for the committee's concern.

7. <u>36950</u> Staff Report, Christine Beatty -Strategic Operational Plan, July-December 2014 Accomplishments -Strategic Operational Plan, January-July 2015 Goals -Update on RecTrak, MUNIS, Tyler Cashiering Systems

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Monthly Report 10-14.pdf</u> <u>Summary of Older Americans Act.pdf</u>

Accomplishments of agency staff from July to December 2014 were presented. The Goals were not completed and will be send ASAP. Pat Guttenberg and Karen Cator presented reports on the transition to RecTrak and MUNIS financial software systems. Monthly reports for October and November and a Summary of Older Americans Act were distributed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned on the motion of Michael Jackson and Mary Jo Rimkus at 3:30pm. The next meeting will be February 25TH.