

Commission Approved March 17, 2026

**SENIOR CITIZENS' COMMISSION
MINUTES OF January 20, 2026 MEETING**

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CALL TO ORDER:

Heidi Uhlig-Johnstone, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Commission Members:

Present: Catherine Dumke, Marianne Langlois, Karen McLeod, Kevin Quasarano, Pamela Solomon, Heidi Uhlig-Johnstone (The Helm), and Ron Wehrmann, constituting a quorum.

Absent: Karen Everham and Don Witt

Motion by Catherine Dumke, seconded by Karen McLeod, to excuse Commission Members Karen Everham and Don Witt from attendance at today's meeting. Passed unanimously.

Nancy Ochs, GPW Parks and Recreation Administrative Assistant & Event Programmer, and City Council Representative Vicki Granger were also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Marianne Langlois, seconded by Karen McLeod, to approve the minutes of the Senior Citizens' Commission meeting held on November 18, 2025. Said motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The following slate was proposed, and it was moved by Kevin Quasarano, seconded by Pamela Solomon, that the following slate be elected:

Chair: Heidi Uhlig-Johnstone
Treasurer: Ron Wehrmann
Secretary: Catherine Dumke

Said motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Holiday Social, Friday, December 5, 2025

A general discussion followed regarding this Commission's participation in the Holliday Social. There was a consensus among the Commission members that the event had been a success. Mention was made of the good food, entertainment, presentation by Director Kosanke, and assistance by Council members in handing out prizes.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer Ron Wehrmann presented his report to the Commission showing the balance on hand as of December 31, 2025.

B. Budget Request

Following a discussion of anticipated expenses and a review of expenditures in prior years, it was moved by Karen McLeod, seconded by Ron Wehrmann, that a budget request for \$3,500 be submitted to the City Council for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027. Motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE CERTIFICATION

Motion by Pamela Solomon, seconded by Marianne Langlois, to recommend to the Mayor the immediate certification of the previous motion for a budget request of \$3,500 be submitted to the City Council for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027. Said motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Plans for Friday, May 15, 2026, Ice Cream Social

When planning for this event, it should be noted that, at the picnic, the size of the ice cream cups from Wally’s would not allow room for any toppings.

Further discussion of plans for this event will take place at the Commission’s March 17, 2026 meeting.

This Commission’s meeting following the Ice Cream Social event will be scheduled for 2:30 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vicki Granger presented an update on the Active Adult Commission. Marianne Langlois and Heidi Uhlig-Johnstone provided an update on activities regarding the adult daycare center anticipated under the Active Adult Commission.

No members of the public were in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Pamela Solomon, seconded by Catherine Dumke, that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:38 PM.

The next meeting of this Commission will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at 4:00 PM, at Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center-Community Center – Lake Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Dumke, Secretary

