

**Watertown Senior Center
Advisory Board Minutes
October 17, 2023**

1. Call to Order

The Senior Center Advisory Board met in person on October 17, 2023, at 9:00 am. The meeting was called to order by director Andrea Draeger. Present: Beth Beckett, Betty Jimenez, and Cathie Wallen. Not present was Kimberly Henze, Kathleen Gillingham, Teddi Flahive, and Justin Munzel. Also present was Andrea Draeger.

2. Review and Approve the August Minutes

Beth Beckett motioned to approve the minutes from August 15, 2023. Betty Jimenez seconded. Motion carried.

3. Review and Approve the Monthly Financial Report

None are available at this time.

4. Citizens to be Heard

None.

5. Business

a. Review and possible action for purchase of patio accessories and supplies

A bench, accessible picnic table, sun shade, and new trash receptacle were discussed. Sponsorship, memorial, and donations opportunities should be considered before funds from the fundraising account are utilized. Teddi Flahive motioned to approve the purchase of patio accessories and supplies. Beth Beckett seconded. Motion carried.

6. Chairperson's Committee Report

a. Update Fundraising Committee on Current Efforts

The rummage sale raised over \$1,900. Upcoming fundraising activities will include the soup sale as well as reviewing grant opportunities.

b. Update Membership Committee on Current Memberships and Renewals

We have seen many new members at the center since the beginning of the year. A new member packet is being developed and will be available soon.

c. Update Community Services Committee on Projects/Efforts

Most recently we have collected can tabs and shoes for a local church. Discussion occurred around continuing food and school supply drives.

d. Update Program Committee on Program Attendance & New Programs

New programs and activities are always welcome (considering pickleball, disc golf, etc.)

7. Director's Report

a. Update on Upcoming Events

National Senior Citizen Day was celebrated on Monday, August 21. A Halloween party will be held on Tuesday, October 31, Veteran's Day will be celebrated on Thursday, November 9, and the Holiday Party on Thursday, December 21.

b. Update on Board Vacancy

Teddi Flahive passed away in September. Andrea will appoint a board member to fill this vacancy until the term ends in 2025.

c. Update on Membership Letter & Renewal

2024 membership renewal letters were sent out last week and rates did not change from last year.

8. Adjournment

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19 at 9:00 am. Beth Beckett motioned to adjourn. Cathie Wallen seconded. Motion carried.