

## **SCAC Meeting September 12, 2022 (4<sup>th</sup> 2022 Meeting)**

Welcome by Cathy Wilson.

Minutes taken by Carol Greshko.

Cathy Wilson read the adequate notice. OPMA satisfied.

Pledge of Allegiance

New computer equipment recorded the session.

Roll call – Linda Bertuglia, Carol Greshko, Arthur Mierisch, Barbara Sebiri, Sam Pagano, Albie Rosenhaus, Mary Voehl, Cathy Wilson, and Tim Quinn present. Noel Robinson and Peter Mancuso absent. Kathy Whitehead and Liz Zalme, from Morris Township’s Health Dept. attending.

Approval of the July 18, 2022 minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes of July 18, 2022 by Albie Rosenhaus, seconded by Mary Voehl. Approved by the committee with the correction that Mary Voehl as a former professor at Caldwell University, not presently.

The focus today is the survey and webpage subcommittees.

The Survey Subcommittee includes Noel Robinson, Barbara Sebiri, Albie Rosenhaus, and Sam Pagano. Barbara Sebiri read the report from Noel Robinson that summarized this group’s activities and recommendations. As part of their work, they reviewed surveys from the World Health Organization, AARP, and the Morris County Department of Aging, Disabilities, and Community Programming. They are recommending a survey that is similar to the County’s. A copy of this draft survey was passed out to everyone. Discussion and revision suggestions from SCAC members as well as members of the public. Decision for Survey Subcommittee to reconvene, consider the ideas that were brought up, and recommend revisions.

Mary Voehl reported on the Webpage Committee. We must work within the confines of the Township’s webpage structure. The Committee has reviewed the websites of many other towns. Committee recommends focusing on five key areas: Housing, Transportation, Health/Medical, Community, and Senior Recreation. Committee will compile info/links (including trusted sites for seniors) for each area. Once complete and approved, Mary will work with Virginia to get it posted on the Township’s site. It was suggested that maybe a receptionist could answer the phone for questions and direct the caller to the proper person for information. Cathy Wilson stated we are not there yet. Kathy Whitehead, Health Department, said she is currently assisting in that area.

Cathy Wilson mentioned that our work on this committee (SCAC) was included as an action for which we earned points as part of the Township’s efforts to earn certification through the Sustainable Jersey (SJ) program. SJ is a statewide program that recognizes towns for their accomplishments that support sustainability. SJ has also launched a new program called “Community Design for All Ages” which has many action ideas for us to draw on as our work continues in the future.

Public Questions/Comments: Harriet Knevals, 37 Sunderland Drive, inquired about snow plowing. Ed Kelly, 19 Junard Drive, objected to using AARP survey based on their political agenda. Rita Guibert, 5 Evans Farm Road, commented on services needed by seniors. Angela Penisi, 4 Leslie Court, questioned the chairs in the Senior Room. She was instructed to talk to Alexis.

Meeting ended at 4:30pm.

Next meeting will be November 28, 2022 at 3:00pm.