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Minutes - Final Seniors Advisory Committee

Monday, October 15, 2018

10:00 AM

Georgian Room

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on February 5, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, L. Stevenson at 10:07 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 9 - M. Stevenson
G. Kavanagh
H. Stone
J. Comper
J. Youell-Robson
L. Bourassa
L. Ricardo
M. Malcolm
R. McEachern

Absent: 4 - Councillor B. Ainsworth
R. Cotton
G. Sels
R. Cheeseman

STAFF:
Accessibility Coordinator, C. Dillon
Committee Support Clerk, J. Werth.

The Seniors Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

DISCUSSION REGARDING SENIORS HOUSING INITIATIVES

L. Stevenson suggested that a two or three hour meeting be organized in early 2019 focusing on affordable seniors housing initiatives in the City of Barrie. C. Dillon, Accessibility Coordinator offered to contact representatives from the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), the County of Simcoe's Social Housing Department and the Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) to provide an update to the Committee on seniors housing.

C. Dillon, Accessibility Coordinator discussed promotional material from the County of Simcoe entitled "Simcoe County Age-Friendly Seniors Housing Grant Program". Ms. Dillion reviewed the eligibility criteria and application requirements for the County's Seniors Housing Grant Program.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL FOR THE SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

C. Dillon, Accessibility Coordinator provided an update concerning the Seniors Advisory Committee's budget for promotional material expenditures. Ms. Dillion noted that the content of the Committee's promotional material must be reviewed by the City's Access Barrie Department to ensure compliance with corporate branding.

The Committee deferred further discussion of promotional material to a future meeting in early 2019.

FALL PREVENTION CONFERENCE UPDATE

G. Kavanagh and H. Stone discussed the Fall Prevention Conference held on September 27, 2018 in Orillia. Ms. Kavanagh and Ms. Stone noted that the case studies and scenarios presented at the conference were interesting.

OLDER ADULT CENTRES' ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO (OACAO) AGING WELL CONFERENCE

J. Gourlie, Recreation Programmer attended the Older Adult Centres' Association of Ontario (OACAO) Aging Well Conference held on October 29 and 30, 2018 in Mississauga. Ms. Gourlie will report back to the Seniors Advisory Committee concerning the conference at a future meeting.

FUTURE GOALS OF THE SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

L. Stevenson reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Seniors Advisory Committee. Ms. Stevenson noted that the Mandate of the Committee is to represent and provide advice on Barrie seniors' perspectives on municipal matters related to:

- Seniors housing and related planning matters;
- Transportation; and
- Communications and civic participation by seniors.

The Committee deferred discussion of its future goals to a future meeting.

C. Dillon, Accessibility Coordinator offered to provide detailed updates to the Committee on a biannual basis regarding the monitoring, implementation and maintenance of the City of Barrie's Age-Friendly Community Plan.

55+ INFORMATION DIRECTORY DISCUSSION

C. Dillon, Accessibility Coordinator reviewed the key points discussed at the Seniors Advisory Committee meeting held on June 11, 2018 concerning updates to the 55+ Information Directory. Ms. Dillon reviewed printing options, costs and partnership opportunities.

The Committee decided that it would not produce an updated 55+ Information Directory as similar information is available through Ontario 211 - Community Connections and the Barrie Public Library.

SENIORS EVENTS/UPDATES

The Committee discussed the following events:

- The CNIB Simcoe/Muskoka Technology Fair hosted by the CNIB Foundation to be held on October 24, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Georgian College in the Sadlon Centre for Health, Wellness & Sciences located at One Georgian Drive;
- The Parkview 55+ Centre Annual Holiday Market and Harvest Kitchen to be held on October 27, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Parkview 55+ Centre located at 189 Blake Street; and
- The Annual General Meeting hosted by Chapter 36 of the Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) to be held on November 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 147 located at 410 St. Vincent Street.

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

CHAIRMAN