

**City of Niagara Falls  
Seniors Advisory Committee Meeting  
Thursday January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee of the City of Niagara Falls was held on Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with Hanya Nagy chairing. Hanya welcomed all in attendance. Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm.

**Present:** Karen Fraser, Anne Wylie, Jack Widder, Councillor Wayne Campbell, Councillor Chris Dabrowski, Francine Beattie Fred Hodder, Ewald Kuczera, Otto Penner, Hanya Nagy and DJ Brooks.

**Regrets:** Kathy Moldenhauer, Stewart Black, Wendy McPherson, Donna Mills, and Noreen Bald

**Absent:**

**Minutes: a motion** “to approve the minutes of the December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Seniors Advisory Committee meeting” was made by Otto Penner - seconded by Karen Fraser and **carried**.

**Business Arising from Minutes**

**a. Survey Update**

- i. DJ gave an update on the survey results that have been analyzed to date.
- ii. Ewald updated the committee on his outreach at Buckley Towers.
  - a. Ewald asked that for future outreach we have surveys prepared ahead of time to ensure the exact questions are being asked, as well as a way to record the answers.
  - b. Ewald explained they did a group talk that was over an hour long, with some participants being more vocal than others, but with good discussions.
- iii. DJ/Hanya to prepare the survey questions for future outreach.
- iv. Karen told the group she is out of town for her Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> outreach date. It was suggested that Wendy could take her place.

**b. Seniors Month (June)**

- i. Stewart is in Florida, and Francine declined a role on the sub-committee. Karen reported discussions and ideas were underway. She is to work with Stewart and present ideas at the February meeting.

**c. Self-Assessment Letter**

- i. Ewald presented the updated letter with Stewart’s revisions.
- ii. Discussion ensued regarding reaching out via email or traditional mail.

- iii. Hanya to look into prepaid postage and how the City does it. Is it only charged if the envelope is mailed back?
- iv. Councilor Chris Dabrowski offered to reach out to the Niagara Chamber of Commerce to utilize their mailing list to disperse the self-assessment.
- v. It was suggested that we also reach out to the BIAs via email to introduce ourselves. Self-Assessment sub-committee to initiate this.
- vi. **a motion** “to allow staff to edit the letter, as needed, for online versus traditional mailing methods” was made by Ewald Kuczera - seconded by Wayne Campbell and **carried**.

**d. Council Meeting – Jan 14<sup>th</sup>**

- i. Due to illness Wendy cannot attend; Vice-Chair Stewart is out of town. As such, the council update will be carried out in February.
- ii. Councillor Chris Dabrowski and Councillor Wayne asked for any stories about the usage of the free bus pass be forwarded to them so they can discuss at the council meeting.

**New Business**

**a. Name Change**

- i. Francine advised she will now be utilizing the last name Sullivan.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm on a motion from Fred Hodder; seconded by Francine Sullivan and carried.

**Next Meeting – Thursday February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.**