

Township of Southgate linutes of Seniors Advisory Committee

April 8, 2021 2:00 PM Electronic Participation

Members Present: Ellie Adams

Muriel Scott Arlene Crooks Catherine Faulds

Members Absent: Jan Powell

Mary Leach Barbara Rowe

Staff Present: Lindsey Green, Clerk

Elisha Milne, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Chair Ellie Adams called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

Moved By Arlene Crooks **Seconded By** Muriel Scott

Be it resolved that the Committee confirm the agenda as amended.

Carried

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

No one declared a pecuniary interest related to any item on the agenda.

4. Delegations & Presentations

4.1 Pamela McDermid - Beaver Valley Outreach Seniors Centre Without Walls Presentation

Moved By Arlene Crooks **Seconded By** Catherine Faulds

Be it resolved that the Seniors Advisory Committee receive the Beaver Valley Outreach Seniors Without Walls presentation as information.

Carried

4.2 Deputy Mayor Brian Milne - Update on Long Term Care in Grey County - Campus Care Presentation

This item has been deferred to the June 10, 2021 meeting as the presenter was not able to attend.

5. Adoption of Minutes

Moved By Arlene Crooks **Seconded By** Muriel Scott

Be it resolved that the Committee approve the minutes from the February 11, 2021 Seniors Advisory Committee meeting as amended.

Carried

6. Staff Updates

6.1 Seniors Ask Program

Members discussed the Seniors Ask Program and what the program has to offer. Member Ellie Adams attended a webinar with the program coordinator and advised that they are actively looking for volunteers. Those who attended the webinar provided their feedback to the coordinator on the structure of the program and have been advised that the Seniors Ask Program is going to be revamped to work better for Seniors during the COVID-19

Pandemic. Member Ellie Adams advised that she is hoping to have them present to the Southgate SAC at a future meeting.

6.2 Library To Go Program

Members discussed the Library To Go Program that Lacy Russell had started prior to the COVID-19 Pandemic and that it is a valuable program offered in the community. Unfortunately, due to COVID, the program has had to come to a stop and Members are hopeful that it will be able to continue in the future. Members Muriel Scott and Catherine Faulds will inquire about the Library To Go Program at the next Library Board Meeting and see if there is a plan to reboot the program in the future and if it could proceed with COVID-19 precautions in place.

6.3 Age-Friendly Community Remote Events Planning Resource

Members discussed the Age-Friendly Community Remote Events Planning Resource information that has been distributed by the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility. Members discussed gathering information to put together a project that would help in benefiting making Southgate more "age-friendly". Member Muriel Scott is going to work with Clerk Lindsey Green on the possibility of applying for a Grant from Grey County.

7. New Business

There were no New Business items discussed.

8. Members Privilege - Good News & Celebrations

Members discussed receiving their COVID-19 Vaccine and that the vaccine sites in the area are very well organized. Member Arlene Crooks wondered if there were residents in Southgate who are unable to get out to a Vaccine sites who may need a ride and how to assist those who cannot drive. Member Ellie Adams mentioned that she is looking forward to the presentation from Deputy Mayor Milne on the update of Long Term Care in our area at the June 2021 Seniors Advisory Committee meeting. Member Catherine Faulds mentioned about creating a seniors activity brochure, or the possibility of utilizing the Southgate Calendar more to incorporate seniors' activities to help

get the information out to the residents and maybe transfer some of the Beaver Valley Outreach Seniors Centre Without Walls programs onto the Southgate calendar.

9. Next Meeting

June 10, 2021 Electronically.

10. Adjournment

Moved By Arlene Crooks **Seconded By** Muriel Scott

Be it resolved that the Committee adjourn the meeting at 3:07PM.

Carried
Chair Ellie Adams
Recording Secretary Elisha Milne