



## Senior Citizens Advisory Board

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## Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Location: 1014 Darby Rd, Havertown, Pa., 19083 – Room B

Time: 7:00 P.M.

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**Haverford Township**  
**Senior Citizen Advisory Council**  
**Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday, January 17, 2023**  
**7:00 PM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. SECRETARY: ROLL CALL
- III. WELCOME / OPENING REMARKS: Scott Selkowitz
- IV. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS
  - 1. CHAIRPERSON
  - 2. SECRETARY
- V. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 15, 2022 MEETING MINUTES
- VI. BUSINESS IN PROCESS:
  - 1. NEEDS ASSESSMENT / SURVEY  
Review status of data compilation; formal presentation
  - 2. RE-CONFIRM 2023 COUNCIL MEETING DATES
- VII. EMERGING BUSINESS:
  - 1. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION  
Establish goals, objectives, and outcomes for 2023
  - 2. NEWSLETTER AND ONLINE ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS  
Current Topic: "SCAM RECOGNITION, PREVENTION AND SAFEGUARDS"
  - 3. ELDERNET UPDATE: Victor Barsky
  - 4. SENIOR CITIZENS BOOK CLUB: Dr. Carla Rodgers
  - 5. "PARKMOBILE"
- VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT
- IX. GOOD AND WELFARE
- X. ADJOURNMENT

**HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP  
SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 17, 2023**

Mr. Selkowitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

Recorded as present: Carla Rodgers (Ward 1), Christine McLaughlin (Ward 2), Margaret Lang (Ward 3), Peggy Murr (Ward 4), Jan O'Rourke (Ward 5), Diane Amadio (Ward 7), Rita Waters (Ward 8), Scott Selkowitz (Ward 9), Victor Barsky (At-Large Member), and Aimee Cuthbertson, Asst. Twp. Manager. Commissioner Gerry Hart was unable to attend.

**WELCOME / OPENING REMARKS**

Scott Selkowitz welcomed the group and announced that everyone was re-appointed to a new two-year term by the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Holmes continues to work on selecting a candidate to fill the Ward 6 vacancy.

**APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS**

The Council voted unanimously to re-appoint Scott Selkowitz as Chairperson. Mr. Selkowitz graciously accepted the re-appointment and thanked the Council for their considerations and support.

No Council member opted to be nominated for Secretary. Council members then decided to complete the minutes on a rotational basis.

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 15, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

The Council unanimously approved the November 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

**BUSINESS IN PROCESS: NEEDS ASSESSMENT UPDATE**

Christina Mann, Township IT, compiled the data from the survey in an Excel format, with Graphic Charts, then forwarded the various tabs to Scott Selkowitz for further review. The sub-committee (including Christine McLaughlin and Jan O'Rourke) will further review and compile the data for each of the written responses provided from the 362 surveys completed. The committee, in turn, will present the Draft Compilation of Results Report to the full Council at our next meeting, scheduled for February 21, 2023.

## **BUSINESS IN PROCESS: RE-CONFIRM 2023 COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

Meeting dates re-confirmed and approved for 2023:

January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, September 19, October 17, and November 21. No meetings are scheduled for July, August and December.

## **EMERGING BUSINESS**

### *Establish Goals and Objectives; Outcomes for 2023*

The work of the Council for 2023 will be guided by the results of the Survey.

Therefore, continued discussions will be forthcoming.

In the interim, Aimee Cuthbertson suggested that we begin to think about dates and times for any proposed “Coffee House” type events and / or other events to be pursued.

### *Newsletter and Online Article Submissions*

Peggy Murr wrote and submitted an article dealing with “Elder Scams,” including critical information obtained through intensive interviews and discussions with Township and County law enforcement officials. Aimee Cuthbertson acknowledged receipt of the submission and the Council extended thanks and appreciation to Peggy for her efforts.

Aimee Cuthbertson informed us that the deadline for the next article for the Township Newsletter would be due on April 4, 2023. It was discussed that the article could focus on the Survey results or the new ParkMobile app. To be discussed further at upcoming meetings.

### *ElderNet Update*

Victor Barsky, Aimee Cuthbertson and Scott Selkowitz met with Dr. Anthony Johnson, new Executive Director of ElderNet, to discuss his agency’s position regarding possible expansion efforts into Delaware County (specifically Haverford Township) and the logistical and budgetary issues involved—including establishing a part-time, temporary office in the Township. An invitation will be extended by Victor Barsky for Dr. Johnson to address the Council at our March meeting.

### *Senior Citizens Book Club*

Based on feedback received from a number of attendees of our Open House, Dr. Rodgers presented the idea of creating a book club focusing on issues and topics of specific interest to Seniors. The Council agreed that this may be a good idea worth pursuing, but wanted to see the results of the survey first. Discussion will continue.

### *"ParkMobile"*

A number of issues (cost, logistics, communication roll-out, ease of use, number of meters reserved for Seniors) were discussed regarding the re-vamped meter parking situation involving the "ParkMobile" program. Aimee Cuthbertson acknowledged that the Township and Police Department are aware of the concerns expressed by residents-- continuing to monitor over the next several months as the new system rolls out before making any warranted adaptations / changes.

### *Surrey Services*

Scott Selkowitz informed the Council that Lena McWilliams, Senior Center Director for Surrey Services, has extended an invitation for members of our Council to tour the new Senior Center opening in Broomall in several weeks. Diane Amadio and Jan O'Rourke volunteered to contact Lena to attend—to share their observations and feedback at our February meeting.

### *Township's Online Portal*

Initial survey information reviewed indicates a continued concern for accessing information currently under the "Information for Seniors" tab on the website. Concerns have been expressed regarding "ease of access, direct visibility of the link itself, and overall user-friendliness." It was recommended that the Township re-consider the establishment of an "Icon" that will be highly visible and provide direct access to this established information page. Aimee Cuthbertson will discuss further with Township IT.

### *Preliminary Research*

In preparation for future discussions in this arena, Rita Waters has accepted the task of researching how other communities and municipalities similar in size to

Haverford Township have incorporated resources and services specifically geared for Seniors into their existing community recreational programs.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**GOOD AND WELFARE**

There was no good and welfare.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.