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**DRAFT MINUTES
FITCHBURG COMMISSION ON AGING
THURSDAY, December 11, 2014**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Sheets, Anne Scott, Nancy Foss, Ruth Domack, Dick Rydecki, Jim Sosnouski, Richard Bloomquist

STAFF PRESENT: Jill McHone

CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Sosnouski called meeting to order at 4:00pm
- Approval of October 9 meeting minutes.
- Motion: Minutes of October 9, 2014 meeting be approved. Seconded, Passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The following activities or programs are completed, active or in the advanced planning stage:

- Senior triathlon scheduled on Friday, November 7, 3:30pm at Pinnacle was completed
- 100 attendees attended Veterans Day celebration
- Pig roast was a success
- Volunteer recognition activity was conducted
- McHone will attend meeting in Watertown concerning issues / process to make Fitchburg a dementia friendly community.
- Energy Task Force-FSC (David Hill) has five clients. Home Depot is very helpful and cooperative in this program
- Sustainability Group (David Hill) will work with UW volunteers. Five groups are included.
- Mandi wrote a grant to Subaru for Meals on Wheels to foster community togetherness. The intent is to provide five Sunday meals to isolated / homebound seniors.
- Fifty Medicare applicants were processed by FSC.
- Pickle Ball has successfully begun.
- A new acupuncturist is working at FSC – ½ day per week
- Jill is working on a legislative committee which is seeking to give tax credits to care givers.

- Inspiration Point – a cluster of 26 adult family homes with an adult day-care option for handicapped, disadvantaged and people with memory issues. It will be located at Sassafra Dr and Crinkle Root Rd.
- Ami's Giving Tree Project served 40 clients.
- There will be a December Packer Party – sandwiches will be provided, bring a dish to pass.

FITCHBURG SENIOR CENTER FRIENDS (FSCF)

Sheets reported:

- The number people served at the pig roast in 2014 showed a good increase over the number served in 2013.
- The number people served at the pancake breakfast in 2014 showed a good increase over the number served in 2013.
- The FSCF contributed several thousand dollars to FSC to cover the purchase of chairs, game paddles, meals served to veterans, Thanksgiving meals, and emergency meal kits.
- The fund raising by FSCF has increased from \$5600 in 2013 to \$8150 in 2014.
- A March Pancake Breakfast is scheduled.
- Two tasks for the FSCF: How does the organization provide more outreach and how does the organization increase revenues?
- The Summer Concerts in the Park is now controlled by the Chamber of Commerce.

OLD BUSINESS

- Domack summarized the meetings held on the FSC Room Rent Policy.
- Unresolved issues for the policy include how payments are made for use of facility and what should be done in the case of class cancellation.
- Sosnouski is looking for a resolution to the delay in installing appropriate signage on the Fitchburg Community Buildings Campus.

NEW BUSINESS

- The new Dane County Contract with FSC was discussed.
- The FSC received an increase in funding for several reasons including the formula for determining funding amount was changed.
- Motion – The FSC-COA should continue the contract with Dane County. Seconded. Passed.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to Adjourn. Seconded. Passed.
- Meeting adjourned at 4:45pm
- Next meeting is Thursday, February 12, 2015, 4pm.



Dementia Friendly Fitchburg

What does this mean?

- It means that Fitchburg is committed toward becoming a Dementia Friendly Community.

What is a Dementia Friendly Community (DFC)?

- A Dementia Friendly Community is one that recognizes the challenges faced by people with dementia.

What do we hope to create in Fitchburg as a DFC?

- We hope to create a community where people with dementia are understood, respected and supported. A community where those with dementia, and their caregivers, feel welcomed included and involved.

Why should this be important to you?

- Currently there are 116,000 people affected by dementia in Wisconsin, and this number is expected to DOUBLE by the year 2025.
- Women have a 1 in 6 chance, men a 1 in 11 chance of developing dementia after the age of 60.

This growing number effects how we communicate and do business with others!

Be part of the Dementia Friendly Community Initiative!

- Agree to educate yourself and employees on how to recognize, communicate and best assist a person with dementia.
- Contact Mandi M. Miller to find out how you can become a Dementia Friendly business in Fitchburg. Mandi. Miller@fitchburgwi.gov or call 608.270.4293

This initiative is in association with the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin.



City of Fitchburg

Committee or Commission Referral

Direct Referral Initiated by: Mandi M. Miller
Direct Referral Approved by:

Date Referred: **January 13, 2015** Ordinance Number:
Date to Report Back: **February 24, 2015** Resolution Number: **R-04-15**

Sponsored by: Mayor Drafted by: Mandi M. Miller

TITLE: EXPRESSING CITY OF FITCHBURG COMMITMENT TOWARD BECOMING A “DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY”

Dementia currently affects 116, 000 people in Wisconsin and this number is expected to double by the year 2025; women over the age of 60 have a 1 in 6 chance of developing dementia and men have a 1 in 11 chance; the percentage of those over age 85 with dementia is almost 50%. The growing numbers of people suffering from this creates a need in our community to be sensitive to the issues of older adults and work to improved accessibility to city services by pursuing senior-friendly initiatives in city parks, conservancies, along trails, at crosswalks, and through training of emergency response personnel. Becoming a Dementia Friendly Community will help to connect those suffering from dementia to the Fitchburg community and all that it offers residents.

Background:

Order	Referred To	Staff Contact	Place on Agenda For	Action Taken On Referral
1	Commission on Aging	Jill McHone	February 12, 2015	February 12, 2015
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Amendments:

Shawn Pfaff, Mayor
Introduced by

Mandi M. Miller
Prepared by

Fitchburg Common Council
Referred to

01-13-2015
Date

RESOLUTION R- R-04-15

**EXPRESSING CITY OF FITCHBURG COMMITMENT TOWARD BECOMING A
“DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY”**

WHEREAS dementia currently affects 116, 000 people in Wisconsin and this number is expected to double by the year 2025; women over the age of 60 have a 1 in 6 chance of developing dementia and men have a 1 in 11 chance; the percentage of those over age 85 with dementia is almost 50%; and

WHEREAS, The City of Fitchburg has made a significant commitment to older adults with dementia and their families through their support of services and programs at the Fitchburg Senior Center, including Case Management services, caregiver support groups, and educational programs in partnership with the Alzheimer’s and Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, other City of Fitchburg departments need to be sensitive to the issues of older adults and work to improved accessibility to city services by pursuing senior-friendly initiatives in city parks, conservancies, along trails, at crosswalks, and through training of emergency response personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Alzheimer’s & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin is leading an initiative to establish “Dementia Friendly Communities” to help increase awareness of dementia and decrease the stigma for those who live with a disease that causes memory and thinking impairments; and

WHEREAS, a Dementia Friendly Community works to improve the quality of life for all those who are affected, both for the people with memory challenges and their caregivers, by educating employees in local businesses on how to recognize and best assist a person with dementia.

NOW BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE Fitchburg Common Council that it (approves/authorizes) the (wording to describe action the council is taking)

Additional clauses stating action would begin as follows:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Fitchburg Common Council that it will work with the Dementia Friendly Community task force to create a community that addresses the needs of individuals living with dementia as well as their caregivers.

Adopted this 24th day of February, 2015.

Patti Anderson, City Clerk

Shawn Pfaff, Mayor