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DEPARTMENT ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
RUSS AMO, PRESIDENT

MEETING LOCATION
Adrian Senior Center
327 Erie Street, Adrian, MI

MINUTES: Thursday, July 25, 2024 – 1:30 p.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Russ Amo at 1:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Present were - Russ Amo, Terry Collins, Jeff Diczno, Burt Fenby, Cathy Judkins, Darwin Vandevender, KZ Bolton, Gloria Bortnichak along with staff members, Cari Rebottaro, Director, and Becky Borton. Absent were - Jeannine Johns (excused), Carol Zawacki, and Joyce Woerner

Approval of Minutes:

Burt Fenby made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2024 meeting and Jeff Diczno seconded the motion. The motion was voted upon and passed.

LDA Budget Reports:

Director Rebottaro reported that several in-depth reviews are currently due and the draft FY 2025 budget is to be submitted to the County Administrator's office the first part of August. A lot of effort is being made to balance the budget with rising expenses and diminishing grant funding. Other revenue considerations may be forthcoming.

The board discussed some revenue changes and cost-savings; it was recommended that a committee be appointed after the first of year to discuss options further.

LDA Center Reports:

Director Rebottaro reported that the centers are fully staffed at this time.

The centers played Family Feud in the bandshell for Senior Citizens' Day at the County fair; the Adrian Center Smarty Pants team won.

It was noted that although the Village of Clinton has a senior center, it functions independently and is not an LDA Center. Deerfield used to have a center, but it is believed that this center has closed. It was clarified that the LDA Home Delivered Meals programs serves all of Lenawee County.

LDA - Daybreak Report:

Director Rebottaro reported that Daybreak is expecting to have an intern join them this fall.

LDA - Home Services Reports – HM, PC, Respite:

Director Rebottaro reported that Home Services continue to be challenged with having enough staffing to fill the needs our residents.

LDA - Director's Report:

Director Rebottaro reported that the WellWise review is near completion, while the THome PACE review has been submitted. She also reported that the Leadership Group has been working on enhancing LDA team morale. Dillon is working on a way to recognize team members at the annual meeting in September.

Joy Gilbert has joined us as the new Blissfield Senior Center director.

Other Business:

Millage language was approved by the Board of Commissioners at the July Meeting.

Jeff Dicenzo shared that he recently participated in a Balance session at a center and it was great. He also announced that ReBicycle is seeking board member candidates.

Russ Amos commended the volunteer force that supports LDA programs.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, KZ Bolton made a motion to adjourn, supported by Cathy Judkins, the motion was voted upon and passed. President Amo adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Borton