

**NORTHVILLE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 16, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:**
The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Andrea Murdock at 1:04 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:**
Commission Members: Lesa Buckland, Patrick Giesa, Mindy Herrmann, Angela Jaafar, Bob Lipmyer, Andrea Murdock, Jan Purtell, Dory Schmidt, Jan Valade
Staff Members: Nicole Messina, Mark Gasche
Guest(s): None
3. **Announcements and Citizens Comments:**
 - A. Murdock welcomed Commission members. Due to the Corona virus pandemic this meeting is being held virtually via Zoom.
4. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Motion by Geisa, second by Valade to approve the agenda. Motion passed.
5. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Valade, second by Geisa to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 18, 2020. Motion passed.
6. **Monthly Reports:**
 - A. **Supervisor's Report - Messina**
 - One bus has been transporting riders 5 days/week; an additional bus will be added if demand increases. Ann Oswald, Northville resident, who requested and was granted temporary medical transportation for .5 miles outside the current service area, has utilized this service six times and paid \$20 each trip.
 - B. **Transportation Program Updates**
 - C. **Ridership Report – Messina** presented the Transportation Program Ridership report from January-June, 2020. 957 total rider with \$2,258 in fares year to date and 65 total rider for June. The Transportation Program is now accepting requests for all rides again. **Participation Report – January-June 2020:**
 - Messina presented an updated Participation Report for January-June, 2020; Total Ongoing Activity participants, including transportation, at 6,401 YTD, including 172 participants in June. Fitness classes are at 3,149 Total participants YTD; 5 virtual fitness classes and two (2) outdoor fitness classes will begin on the week of July 20; outdoor

classes are being held at Ford Field on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9:30 and 10:00. Telephone wellness checks and liquid nutrition programs are continuing.

D. Recent/Upcoming Events

- Public facilities still following Governor's orders waiting for restrictions to be lifted from Corona virus; it is possible for small groups of less than 10 participants to meet for rental and program activities such as HOA meetings and financial planning. The medical equipment loan closet has continued to operate.

7. Old Business:

A. None

8. New Business:

A. Transportation Sub-Committee members Valade (representing NSAC) and Herrmann and Moroski-Browne (representing P&R Commission) met. They reviewed information from other neighboring communities regarding transportation funding sources, fares, hours and range of services. They will meet again tomorrow to discuss further and make a recommendation to the Parks and Recreation Commission at their next meeting. Discussion was about hours of service, trip range limits and fares.

B. Motion to grant an extension through August to resident Ann Oswald for transportation .5 miles outside the service area for medical appointments with a special fee assessed at \$20 per round trip made by Murdock, second by Purtell. Motion passed.

9. Reports:

A. City Liaison Report – Giesa

- City Planning Commission is considering a new Floor Area Ratio ordinance for homeowners remodeling or new construction; a public hearing will be held to get input, along with a survey available to City of Northville residents. that the proposal would limit the square footage of a house including all the stories, porch and attached garage; City Council will discuss at the July 20 meeting and the following meeting; more information available on the City website.
- Fourteen (14) new road construction projects this year are underway or planned including the Ford Field parking lot and Rogers Street.

B. Township Liaison Report - Herrmann

- Township Council meeting tonight via Zoom; encouraging absentee ballots for upcoming election in August; precincts have been consolidated to Northville High School and Township Hall.
- Park grand opening was held recently on the former Psychiatric Hospital grounds creating walking and mountain biking trails; parking

has been granted at Schoolcraft College and limited parking will be constructed off 7 Mile Road.

- Township has opposed a request from Advanced Disposal to EGL to divert runoff from the landfill to Johnson Creek

C. School Board Liaison Report – Jaafar

- A new air monitoring system has been installed at Ridge Wood Elementary to gather data.
- A special task force to study the complex issues around COVID-19 orders for students and staff re-entering schools in the fall has been working in small groups; a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 21 with a decision planned for the second week in August
- Construction at Hillside Middle School has been delayed due to COVID-19 and will now possibly be ready to open in January, 2021.
- Northville’s Heritage Festival has been cancelled by the Chamber of Commerce and NPS has cancelled Third Grade Heritage Festival activities.

D. Chairperson & Commissioner Comments

- Terms are expiring the end of September for Murdock (City) and Purtell (Township); Murdock will not continue; Purtell will seek new 3-year term. Gasche will notify City officials that a vacancy will need to be filled.
- Next meeting will be planned for August 20 via Zoom.
- Election of officers will be held at the annual meeting in October; slate will be discussed at the September meeting.

10. Date of Next Meeting/Adjournment:

- Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 1:00 via Zoom; Buckland will not be available.
- Motion to adjourn made by Geisa, second by Valade. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Purtell, Secretary