
**TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN
WEST LINCOLN AGE FRIENDLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WLAFAC)**

MEETING NO. SEVEN HELD: Friday, Sept 13, 2024, Township Administration Building, 318 Canborough Street, and Smithville – 9:00 a.m. Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Chair:	Deb Thomas
Members:	Mayor Cheryl Ganann Linda Sivyer Stuart Lord Toni Mills Sue Langdon Karen Parker Tina Jol
Regrets:	John Ganann Kitty McGrail
Staff:	Brianne Parsons, Recreation & Wellness Programmer Jacquie Thrower, Executive Assistant

1. Welcome and Introduction of members/guests –Brianne Parsons

Chair Thomas welcomed the members of the Committee to the meeting.
2. Ratification of Minutes from last meeting – June 7, 2024

The minutes of Friday, June 7th, 2024 were ratified by the Committee.
3. Business Arising from Minutes
 - a) Recap of Event
There was general discussion regarding positive feedback from the June 14, 2024 event:
 - Good attendance
 - Good speaker
 - Excellent staff help
 - Great music
 - High quality of information
 - Variety of tasty snacks
 - Bright and colourful decorations

- Good contact list for future events

Improvement for future events:

- Move water from in front of snack bar to a more visible location
- Move speakers further apart to ensure better sound and test prior to event
- Ensure enough space between tables i.e. 3 feet between tables
- Possibly reduce the size of the event by focusing on one theme i.e. health, banking etc.,
- Have Guest Speaker upstairs in community room where sound is better and use of full gym for the store front displays
- Ensure there is a designated Committee Member to act as the store front greeter
- Need to know if vendor will supply their own table – we have enough tables but they may have a specific table that accommodates their display
- Create a checklist

b) Funding Timing

Mayor Ganann advised that the funding model from the Province does not accommodate applying for a June event and suggested we change our event from June to the fall. Mayor Ganann advised that the issue with funding is the requirement that the monies be spent prior to March. Linda advised that National Seniors Day is October 1.

There was general discussion regarding the pros and cons of hosting an event in June vs the fall, however no decision was made and the item will be added to the October Agenda for discussion.

c) Potential Survey vs encouraging participation in upcoming surveys

Mayor Ganann encouraged Committee Members to fill out the West Lincoln Recreation and Parks Master Plan survey. Jacquie advised there is an In-person Community engagement workshop for residents to attend. Jacquie will share the link with the Committee.

4. Roundtable Discussion

Mayor Ganann supplied Jacquie with info sheets from the Ministry of Health that Jacquie will forward to the Committee.

Mayor Ganann advised that McMaster is continuing community involvement regarding the lack of transportation in the rural community.

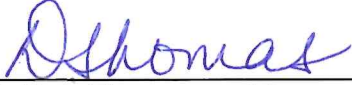
Linda suggested the following items at the next meeting(s):

Map out the remainder of the year
What do we want to accomplish?
What are our goals etc.?

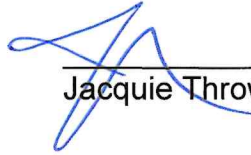
A few members are not able to attend the next meeting therefore it was the consensus of the Committee to move the meeting to October 4, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.



Chair Deb Thomas or Mayor Ganann



Jacquie Thrower, Executive Assistant