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

MEETING NO. NINE HELD: Friday, Nov 1, 2024, Township Administration Building, 318 Canborough Street, and Smithville – 9:00 a.m. Council Chambers

PRESENT:

Chair:

Deb Thomas

Members:

Mayor Cheryl Ganann

Karen Parker Stuart Lord Toni Mills Sue Langdon John Ganann

Regrets:

Linda Sivyer

Tina Jol

Kitty McGrail

Guests:

John Smith

Lynn Gibson

Staff:

Brianne Parsons, Recreation & Wellness Programmer

Jacquie Thrower, Executive Assistant

Welcome and Introduction of members/guests

Chair Thomas introduced the two guests that were in attendance, John Smith and Lynn Gibson.

2. Ratification of Minutes from last meeting – Oct 4, 2024

The minutes of Friday, October 4th, 2024 were ratified by the Committee.

- 3. Business Arising from Minutes
 - a) 2025 Event April, June and September

There was general discussion regarding the 2025 event discussion that took place last month and the following information was confirmed.

Friday, June 6, 2025 – Upstairs Community Rooms - WLCC 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. September 26, 2025 – Gym and Upstairs Community Rooms 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Direction was given to Jacquie to secure the rooms for 2025. There was discussion regarding having coffee, tea and goodies for the April and June event and a bagged lunch option for the September event however no direction was given. It was determined that Jacquie will be the one to extend invitations to the store front participants.

Roundtable Discussion:

Sue advised that the telehealth number for Ontario is now 818.

Toni advised that at Prime Time at St. Ann's Community Church on February 5, 2025 they will be hosting a guest speaker who will present information regarding how caregivers can respond to family members who have Alzheimer's and Dementia.

There was general discussion regarding the difficulty in spreading the word to residents of West Lincoln about events.

John advised that he has attended events at the library that are not well attended and advised the day or the time might be a challenge to some attendees.

Brianne advised that the Recreation Department has been trying different times and days for programming to attract more participation however events are still poorly attended.

Brianne requested that Committee Members advise her of any ideas they might have for programming events for the year 2025. Brianne confirmed that she will be filing out grant applications in January for the 2025 calendar year.

Brianne advised that the Township is seeking volunteers for assistance with the Santa Claus Parade to be held on Nov 30 at 5:00 p.m. Brianne advised that a winter market event will be held in the morning at the West Lincoln Community Centre between 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Karen advised that she recently had heard about a grant that allowed for the purchase of a tracker for individuals who have Alzheimer's Disease. Karen advised that she will try to obtain further information regarding the grant for the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Chair Deb Thomas or Mayor Ganann

Jacquie Thrower, Executive Assistant