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

**MEETING NO. THREE HELD: March 7**, **2025**, Township Administration Building, 318 Canborough Street, and Smithville – 9:00 a.m. Council Chambers

PRESENT: Chair: John Ganann

Members: Mayor Cheryl Ganann

Councillor Greg Maychak

Kitty McGrail
Sue Langdon
Stuart Lord
Toni Mills
Denise Lipiec
Linda Sivyer

Regrets: Deb Thomas

Karen Parker

Guests: Marianna Felvus

Christine Hopwood

Staff: Brianne Parsons, Recreation and Wellness

Programmer

Jacquie Thrower, Executive Assistant

1. Welcome and Introduction of members/guests

Chair John Ganann introduced Christine Hopwood.

Ratification of Minutes from last meeting – Feb 7

The minutes of Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 were ratified by the Committee.

- 3. Business Arising from Minutes
  - a) April 11 Event in Council Chambers

There was general discussion regarding our upcoming Financial Crimes Presentation and to date the low rsvp rate. The Committee was encouraged to invite their friends and neighbours and post the posters and handouts in prominent locations. Jacquie will provide the Committee with numbers of rsvp on the following Friday's:

March 14,21 and 28. On Monday March 31 we will determine if we will proceed with

the event based on the number of confirmed attendees.

## b) WLAFAC Info & Services Guide

Mayor Ganann provided Committee Members with the cost of printing of 200 or 500 of the WLAFAC Info Brochure and the Rackcard. It was the consensus of the Committee that we order 200 Brochures at a approx. cost of \$186.10 and 200 Rackcards at a cost of \$115.90. There was general discussion that additional brochures and rackcards could be purchased if we received grant funding.

c) Preparation for June and September Events – setting committee and timelines

John advised he would invite Dr. Brenda Vrkljan, Professor, Rehabilitation Science to be a second speaker at our June event. John advised that Dr. Vrkjan could speak to the research on rural living and mobility of Older Adults that she recently conducted through a study that they undertook. Jacquie confirmed that Cheryle Laba from Community Support Service of Niagara will attend the event as our guest speaker providing information to seniors regarding what services they offer.

d) Update on Grant Application Process

Mayor Ganann advised that the grant was submitted by Linsey on Feb 27, 2025.

4. Next Meeting?

The next meeting will be Friday, April 4 at 9:00 a.m.to finalize our plans for our April 11 Event. Jacquie will send out a calendar invite to Committee Members.

Roundtable Discussion

Chair Ganann advised that he had recently viewed interesting webinars on the Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario website which is listed below: https://eapon.ca/

Denise had a suggestion that a skit could be incorporated into a future event.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Mayor Cheryl Ganann

Jacquie Thrower, Executive Assistant