

**Franklin Township
Senior Citizens Advisory Board
07/12/22.**

Jean Thompson called the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees: Jean Thompson, Kathy Wargo, Thomas Nichols, John Sheldon, Shirley Simpkins, Debbie Caruso, Cindy Merckx, Jim Rohrer.

Minutes were read and motion to approve by Cindy 2nd by Debbie.

No specific agenda for this meeting.

Old Business:

1. Our BBQ hosted by Mayor Bruno was a huge success with around 75 guests attending. It was nice to see the Mayor and some of the Township Committee members in attendance. A good time was had by all especially with the entertainment by Lou Renshaw. Special thank you to Dave Deegan for helping out in the kitchen, his slicing skills are always appreciated.

New Business:

1. Newfield Terrace needs volunteers to help at the food pantry. 3:30 every Friday. Saturday is distribution day.
2. A representative from the Salvation Army is scheduled for Sr. Citizens Club meeting on the 20th. She will be able to answer questions and submit needed forms for programs our Seniors can take advantage of.
3. We have acquired the Delsea HS art teacher to put on a painting party after the meeting on the 20th, Price is \$25.
4. The board voted on the Brochure ,made up by Cindy, to promote our Senior Citizens Club and Community Center. Passed by majority. Now Cindy will take to the township Committee for their approval, and hopefully we can get it out in the tax bill mailing.
5. We need to have better communication with Jen for the bus program. We will work with her to get a schedule done and made available to all interested in shopping and lunch trips.
6. Tina from Delsea HS has volunteered to help with applying for available grants through the Municipal Alliance, Gloucester County. We have already received \$500 to defray costs for Sight and Sound trips. Concerning that grant, a check was made out to Jean Thompson in error. Jean returned that check and a new check was made out to the Senior Citizens Club. It has been deposited into our account for events.
7. Sight and Sound trip for this year is sold out.
8. Kathy brought up the drug and alcohol problems in our township and suggested we ask if a police representative could come to one of our meetings to give Senior advise on how to handle substance abuse. Also, Jean mentioned we may be able to get a CPR class available to all. Something to look into. A self defense course may also be helpful to Seniors who are out and about.

The meeting was adjourned by Jean T. Motion approved by Shirley and 2nd by Debbie.

Next meeting 08/09/2022, 10:00 am