

Pelham Senior's Advisory Committee Minutes
Thursday, February 18, 2021 @ 1:30 p.m. by Zoom conference.

Present: Sharon Cook (President)
Councillor Marianne Stewart
Susan Buckingham
Elena Simone-Simonetti
Gwen MacDougall (Library)
Julie Cook (Senior Programmer)
Brittany MacLean (Active Living Programmer)
Dave Nicholson

Absent with Regrets: Anna Oakes (Lookout Ridge)
Ann Villalta
Erin Stitt (Lookout Ridge)

1. **Declaration of Quorum and call to Order-** 1:30pm by Sharon Cook

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

- **Addition to agenda: Closing of the TD Bank in Fonthill**

Moved by: Gwen MacDougall

Seconded by: Elena Simone-Simonetti

3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature thereof**
None.

4. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Moved by: Elena Simone-Simonetti

Seconded by: Gwen MacDougall

THAT the minutes for the January 21, 2021 Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

CARRIED

5. **Correspondence**

- None

6. **Business Arising from Minutes:**

- Grant Request Updates- The Grant for Media Equipment in Accursi Room has no further updates at this time. The SALC Special Grant has been received and will be used for an outdoor shade structure, which is currently being sourced.
- Workshop Development On Hold- This is currently on hold during this time.
- Replacement of Committee Members On Hold- This is currently on hold during this time.
- Where Do We Go from Here? – The Committee has put great efforts towards online programming and virtual forums but the lack of participation at these virtual events has been discouraging. PSAC has decided that any further programs will have a preregistration to ensure there is enough participation for the program to run. Sharon will be contacting Kevin from The Region to discuss hosting a chronic diseases and injury prevention online seminar. Sharon will report back with possible dates and times to set up a presentation with preregistration at the next meeting.

7. New Business:


- Buddy Bench- The idea of a Buddy Bench is for people to sit on when they are willing to talk or have a conversation so others can approach them and engage. This could be placed outside of the MCC or in Peace Park, promoting intergenerational conversation or open conversation between residents of all ages. PSAC is willing to have members sit at the bench to promote the idea and start the trend. There is discussion of partnering with SAY IT!, MYAC or the Bench Dedication Program.
- Credit Card Scam Alert- Many PSAC members are experiencing Credit Card Scams over the phone. This has been shared with other members so they are aware and cautious.
- Closing of the TD Bank in Fonthill- The TD Bank is set to close on July 16th, 2021. This will have a great impact on Seniors as there is only 1

socials will be held on April 8th and 22nd. Invitations will be extended to Senior Staff to see who is able to attend these April dates.

- **Parking-** During the Active for Life event taking place on May 13th, the Committee has asked for Bylaw to monitor accessible parking. Marianne Stewart discussed this staff who informed her that the Committee would have to pay \$25 per hour to have these spaces monitored. The Chair recommended having a volunteer to fill that role instead, but it was decided by the Committee that this role may be confrontational. PSAC has decided that if needed, they will cover the cost of having security enforce accessible parking at events, including Active for Life. Bob Lymburner and Jason Marr have also been notified by Councillor Stewart regarding the lack of accessible parking signs in the Meridian Community Centre parking lot.
 - **Housing-** Dustin Gibson will be invited to the next meeting to discuss the housing and development taking place in front of the Meridian Community Centre. This topic will be deferred until the next meeting on April 16, 2020.
8. **New Business:**
Seniors Month- Due to the unpredictability of COVID-19, this discussion will be deferred until the Committee has a better idea of if events will be able to run. All Committee members are asked to bring ideas to the next meeting.
9. **Next Meeting:** April 16, 2020 from 1:30-3:30pm
10. **Adjournment**
Moved by: Sharon Cook
Seconded by: Erin Stitt

THAT the meeting of the Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee meeting, March 12, 2020 adjourned at 2:45pm.

CARRIED.


Sharon Cook, Chair

Secretary