

Date: February 14, 2024
Time: 1:00 pm
Location: Kinsmen Room, Meridian Community Centre

Attendance: Alan Bown
Katie Kilbreath, Seniors, and Community Services
Programmer
Tony Ferrara
Ty Bolibruk
Pat O'Hara
Randy Gananathan, Vice-Chair
Lynn Reynolds, Chair

Shellee Niznik, Councillor
Halee Braun, Supervisor

Regrets: Natasha Gibson, RCW Administrative Assistant

Guests: Bea Clark, Consultant
Sarah Leach, Deputy Clerk (Secretary)

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum

Noting that quorum was present, Chair Lynn Reynolds called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm.

Chair Reynolds recognized the land on which the Committee gathered.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Ty Bolibruk
Seconded by Tony Ferrara

THAT the agenda for the February 14, 2024, regular meeting of the Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee be adopted.

Carried

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature

There were no pecuniary interests disclosed by any of the members present.

4. Approval of Minutes

The Committee approved the minutes from the December 13, 2023, and January 10, 2024, Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee.

Moved by Ty Bolibruk
Seconded by Alan Bown

THAT the minutes of December 13, 2023, as amended, and January 10, 2024, Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee be approved.

Carried

5. Consultation Services - Bea Clark

Ms. Bea Clark distributed the results of the 2024 Environmental Scan for the Committee identifying Committee strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats/challenges. A copy is available with Staff Representative.

Ms. Clark guided the Committee through a goals and priorities session.

The Committee identified the following driving priorities:

- Advocacy for seniors
- Increase communication
- Develop networks to benefit seniors
- Research and information sharing

The Committee identified the following broad tasks for each priority:

Advocacy

- Advocate for seniors' transportation support

- Communicate regularly with Council

Communication

- Determine the current needs through a variety of methods
 - Example: Mail-out
 - Reach all demographic groups

Networks and Collaboration

- Survey
- Work with other internal and external committee's

Research and Information

- Current transit situation
- The activities of other organizations
- Grants

Ms. Clark welcomed additional information be sent to her, to be included in the above list. She stated that she will create a comprehensive document and circulate a draft in the near future.

6. New Business – Time-sensitive

The Committee unanimously agreed to extend the meeting by 15 minutes.

Moved by Lynn Reynolds
Seconded by Randy Gananathan

THAT the agenda be amended to include the time-sensitive items: Family Day, refreshment equipment, and Niagara Older Adult Alliance.

Carried

The Committee discussed the PSAC representatives attending the Family Day event, as well as the material for the PSAC table.

Katie Kilbreath, Seniors, and Community Services Programmer, detailed the Niagara Older Adult Alliance meeting on February 29th, 2024. The Chair welcomed Members to advise Katie of their intent to attend.

The Chair requested additional information regarding the refreshment equipment. Katie advised that information will be provided during the meeting in March.

7. Next Meeting

March 13, 2024, at 1 pm, Kinsmen Room, Meridian Community Centre.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

THAT this Regular Meeting of the Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee be adjourned.

Moved by Randy Gananathan
Seconded by Tony Ferrara

Carried


Lynn Reynolds (Feb 4, 2025 13:22 EST)

Lynn Reynolds, Chair



Sarah Leach, Recording Secretary and Deputy Clerk