

Minutes of a Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Aging, held via Electronic Communications on Thursday, January 14, 2021, commencing at 1:00 PM.

Present:

Henry Hunter, Wood Buffalo Housing & Development Cooperation, Chair
Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban
Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee
Joan Furber, Golden Years Society
Linda Mywaart, Public-at-Large - Rural
Carol Theberge, Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council
Keith McGrath, Councillor

Administration:

Deanne Bergey, Director, Community and Protective Services
Melissa Williams, Department Administrator, Neighbourhood & Community Development
Darlene Soucy, Clerk, Legislative Services
Destiny Hilliard, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Darlene Soucy, Legislative Services Clerk, called the Meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee
SECONDER:	Joan Furber, Golden Years Society
FOR:	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting - December 10, 2020

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting held on December 10, 2020 be approved as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Henry Hunter
SECONDER:	Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban
FOR:	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

4. New and Unfinished Business

4.1. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Linda Mywaart, nominated Henry Hunter for position of Chair. Henry accepted the nomination and as no other nominations were brought forward, Henry Hunter was selected as Chair of the Advisory Committee on Aging by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Henry Hunter be appointed as Chair of the Advisory Committee on Aging.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Linda Mywaart, Public-at-Large - Rural
SECONDER:	Carolyn Evancio, Seniors Resource Committee
FOR:	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

Henry Hunter, Chair, nominated Linda Mywaart for position of Vice Chair, Linda accepted the nomination and as no other nominations were brought forward, Linda Mywaart was elected as Vice Chair by acclamation.

MOTION:

THAT Linda Mywaart be appointed as Vice Chair of the Advisory Committee on Aging.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Henry Hunter
SECONDER:	Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban
FOR:	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

4.2. 2021 Meeting Schedule

MOTION:

THAT the regular Advisory Committee on Aging meetings be held at 1:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Luana Bussieres, Public-at-Large - Urban
SECONDER:	Carol Theberge, Wood Buffalo Health Advisory Council
FOR:	Bussieres, Hunter, Evancio, McGrath, Mywaart, Furber, Theberge

4.3. Age Friendly Work Plan Update

Melissa Williams, Department Administrator, advised that the Age Friendly Work Plan Working Group met with a social planner and reviewed the history of the Age Friendly Work Plan. It was noted that the document needs rebuilding to be effective for the next three to five years. Benchmarking with other Municipal work plans will take place and a draft will be presented to the Committee at a future meeting.

Exit and Return:

Linda Mywaart, Vice Chair, disconnected from the meeting at 1:17p.m. and returned at 1:18 p.m.

4.4. Action Log

The Action Log was reviewed, and the following updates were provided:

- Keith McGrath, Councillor, provided an update on the naming policy and will have more updates in first quarter of 2021.
- Linda Mywaart, Vice Chair, will invite "Voices of Albertans with Disabilities" to a the Committee Meeting in February.
- Carolyn Evancio, Committee Member, advised that age-friendly input has been provided to the design team for the Franklin and Main Park Project.
- Deanne Bergey, Director, Community and Protective Services, indicated that training for Municipal employees on aging and seniors has been set up but as this is in-person training, it is on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Carol Theberge, Committee Member, reminded Committee members to complete the "Long-term Care Survey"

All other Actions Items are ongoing.

4.5. Information Updates

Luana Bussieres, Committee Member, rose concerns regarding transportation issues seniors may encounter when the COVID-19 vaccination is rolled out.

Linda Mywaart, Vice Chair, noted that construction on Willow Square is complete and the process to hand over the facility to Alberta Health Services will commence soon.

Carolyn Evancio, Committee Member, noted that Darlene Reid, Alberta Health Services, presented to the Seniors Resource Committee regarding Willow Square and suggested that the Advisory Committee on Aging invite her to present at a future meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

Chair