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Livable Communities Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 28, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

Flaherty Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members Present: Saundra Gesek, Thomas LaPaglia, Elizabeth (Betty) Musto, Jennifer Saksa and Suzanne Reilly.

Member(s) Absent: Karen Baker, Bonnie Wilkes.

1. The meeting was **called to order** by Suzanne @ 7:35 pm. (Once a quorum was present.)
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** all present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Public comment:** no public comment
4. A **Motion** was made by Jennifer to approve August 24, 2017 Minutes and 2nd by Tom. Motion Carried.
5. **Members' comments:** Suzanne shared that she spoke with April J. Chaplin, MSHS, Kennedy Center Northwest Regional Mobility Manager, Seymour is part of her service area and she will be presenting at the Commission on Aging Meeting in October. Evening meetings are a bit challenging for her, but she'll try to attend one of our future meetings. Suzanne also mentioned that Valley Transit District has applied for a grant to expand services to include Sunday rides and should commence in the near future. She'll keep everyone informed of when this service begins.
Saundra mentioned that a Charter Revision Commission Committee has been formed that she is serving on and we should receive correspondence asking for our input of suggestions and changes to the Charter; presently the Livable communities Committee is not mentioned in the Charter. Rob VanEgghen will be reaching out to the chair. The recommendations will be due by December 1, 2017.
There was a suggestion of possibly combining the Commission on Aging and Livable Communities Committees. However, the group felt that the focus of the Livable Communities Committee to serve all ages at this time.
6. **New business:** Suzanne share a copy of the Seymour Community /Services Fall/Winter Programs 2017 Guide which was mailed to 6,00 households and delivered to the Seymour Housing Authority. This new publication has been well received by the community and the cost has been supported by the \$250 sponsorship ads on the back of the four page document. The sponsorship also includes a Banner in the Gymnasium and advertisement on the back of the Youth Basketball T-shirts. The plan is to send it out twice a year.
Betty expressed concerns of our Committee's role going forward and the challenge of having a quorum. Suzanne reached out to Bonnie and she share that she has had a continued conflict with the meeting time and will be submitting her resignation.
7. **Old business:** no old business.

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8. The **Agenda** for Thursday, September 27, 2017 meeting - Continue to focus on Transportation needs; discussion on the Charter Revision.
9. **Public comment:** None
10. A motion was made by Tom 2nd by Suzanne to **adjourn the meeting**. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, **Saundra Gesek, Secretary**