

Senior Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2007, 2pm
Hopewell Valley Branch of Mercer County Library

Committee Members attending: Lawrence Mansier, Bill Farmer, Jean Harrington
Virginia Silliphant, Anne Bolick, Jane Petrie
Abigail Waugh – Senior Services Coordinator
Helen Lee, Valley resident
Committee member excused: Bob Riley
Committee members absent: Severino DiCocco, Nils Stout

The meeting was brought to order at 2:07pm by Chairman Mansier. Notice was made of meeting the Open Public Meetings Act requirements. The proposed minutes of the May meeting were discussed and amended as follows: Joel May, Hopewell Township resident and Paul Pogorzelski were in attendance. In the part of the minutes mentioning the cost of the 501-C3 papers, the figure of \$450.00 should be inserted.

Senior Services Coordinator Abigail Waugh's report:

Pennington Day on May 19th (and the Senior Advisory Board booth) was a success. Our booth was manned from 8:30 – 4 and the roster of interested seniors was expanded. Mobile Motor Vehicle Day on June 11 in Hopewell Borough was successful with 57 people renewing their driver's license or getting a non-driver ID. (11 people were from Hopewell Borough.)

It's tricky assessing the number of participants in the various group programs: is the interest in a program waning, or are folks not attending the program because it is spring and they want to be outdoors.

Announcements:

1. June 25th at 2pm at MCL. NJ Library for the Blind and Handicapped Information Session
2. July 9th at 1pm at Hopewell Township Municipal Building. "Standing Strong", Dr. Gina Del Giudice will speak about osteoporosis prevention.

Transportation:

A Mercer County-wide initiative to improve transportation for seniors, people with disabilities, and people with limited incomes was discussed at a series of 4, three hour workshops at The College of New Jersey. In the next year, planning will be done to coordinate all groups offering transportation. The Hopewell Valley needs to find a representative to participate in these coordinating and planning sessions -- and that person must be willing to put in 100 hours in the next year.

Abigail's vacation will be 7/30 – 8/10.

501-C3 papers: Ed Butrym is working on the forms. They should be ready shortly.

Chairman Mansier's report on Franklin Avenue property:

Capital Health owns the property. At the first meeting, Capital Health met with the YM and the Senior Advisory Committee representatives (Larry Mansier and Bill Farmer). At the second meeting, Capital Health met with only the YMCA. They reported that progress has been made.

Larry requested that Bill Farmer, Anne Bolick, and Jane Petrie, meet at Larry's home on July 11 at 9:30am to draft a fund raising letter.

Anne Bolick reports:

She attended the Capital Health presentation at the high school about the facility that they hope to build. While it looked ok, there were still a few unanswered questions -- such as traffic and financial consequences to the Hopewell Valley.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Jane Petrie, (substituting for Bob Riley, Secretary)

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 18th, 2:00pm at the County Library.