
AGE-FRIENDLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date & Time: May 26, 2025 | 10:00 am

Location: Council Chambers and Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT Harold Fleet | Loretta Dunn | Cassondra Dillman | Kaela Sales
| Pat Butler

OTHERS PRESENT Brandon Dobson | Lyndsay Regier

REGRETS Sandra Hong | Karen Otterbein | Pamela Matheson | Laura-
Lee Ribey

1. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – Nil.

2. DELEGATION – L. Dunn shared a presentation from Central Ontario Age Friendly Network (COAFN) meeting that she attended. The presenter was Kelly Perdue, Outreach Coordinator, from A Friendly Voice. They help older adults avoid loneliness by connecting people with a phone call. L. Dunn provided a summary of the slides and the committee was provided a copy of the slides.

3. ADOPTION OF January 20, 2025 MINUTES – Deferred.

4. ADOPTION OF March 17, 2025 MINUTES

Moved by H. Fleet | Seconded by P. Butler

THAT the minutes of March 17, 2025 meeting be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Included in the Age-Friendly package emailed on May 12, 2025 and copies were available to committee members.

5.1. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day | June 15th – Angela Yenssen has sent in her request to have the Elder Abuse Awareness flag flown the week of June 15th. Her request will go to council for approval.

5.2. Accessibility in Ontario Public Buildings 2030

5.2.1. Updated – Accessibility in Ontario Public Buildings – An extension has been granted to businesses to allow them time to make their businesses accessible.

5.2.2. Hanover Community Improvement Program (CIP) – B. Dobson shared that businesses can apply to the Community Improvement Program for financial assistance.

- 5.3. Public Education – May 14th 2025 PROBUS Meeting – B. Dobson shared how his presentation went at the PROBUS Club on May 14.

6. AGE-FRIENDLY ARTICLES IN POST

- 6.1. Volunteer Fair – The latest article in the newspaper featured the upcoming volunteer fair on June 17th.
- 6.2. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – Angela Yenssen wrote up an article for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day for June. This article should be in the newspaper soon.

7. SENIOR GAMES

- 7.1. Local Games – The local senior games will be wrapping up on May 28th with a mix & mingle for the participants with a luncheon and games in the Lions Den.
- 7.2. District 27 Games – The Town of Hanover hosted 2 events, 6 hand bid euchre and cribbage, in May. Games will wrap up at the end of May.
- 7.3. Provincial Games – To take part in the Provincial Games participants need to take part in their District Games. Games will be in Sudbury in August.

8. GRANTS UPDATE

- 8.1. Seniors Active Living Centres (SALC) Grant – The Town of Hanover has been successful in receiving the SALC grant. With this funding it allowed us to start the drum fitness program this past spring. For future years we will be able to submit a budget for new programs and events. Looking to use the funds to get new programs up and running, doing a speaker series, new audio equipment and senior social events.
- 8.2. New Horizon's – Approval on hold.
- 8.3. Senior Community Grant – Approval on hold.

- 9. VOLUNTEER FAIR** – Volunteer Fair will be partnered with the Hanover Library. The volunteer fair will run on June 17th from 4:00 – 7:00pm on the arena floor at the P & H Centre. There will be over 30 organizations with booths. The first 100 attendees will receive a free swim pass and a slice of pizza. This event has been shared with the local schools and library.

- 10. BUSINESS RECOGNITION PROGRAM** – Will continue to reach out to businesses to find interest in the business recognition program. Will be doing additional social media post starting in June.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- 11.1. Committee member shared that the Grey Bruce Public Health is working on updating the Stay on your Feet guide. Updating organizations and contact information. Once completed will share with committee members.

- 11.2. Grey Bruce Public Health has also updated their resource booklet for Age Friendly Fall Prevention. Will share digital versions and physical copies of the booklet with the committee members.
- 11.3. Committee members shared upcoming events in Grey County. May 26 – June 1 is National Accessibility Week, June 11 is Grey Highlands Seniors Health Fair at the Flesherton Plex from 10 am to 2 pm, June 15 is World Elders Abuse Awareness Day and June 22 Living Well with Parkinsons at Beaver Valley Community Centre in Thornbury.

12. NEXT MEETING – Monday August 18, 2025 | 10:00am

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by L. Dunn | Seconded by H. Fleet
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:00am.