



LAKE MARY ELDER AFFAIRS COMMISSION

**Lake Mary Senior Center
911 Wallace Court**

Regular Meeting AGENDA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024 3:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call/Determination of a Quorum (Minimum 4 Present Required)**
- 3. Approval of Minutes of 9-9-24, 10-14-24, and 11-4-24 Meetings**
- 4. Citizen Participation**
- 5. Chairman's Report**
- 6. Lake Mary Senior Center Update**
- 7. LMFD Update**
- 8. LMPD Update**
- 9. Old Business**
- 10. New Business**
- 11. Member Reports and Announcements**
- 12. Next Scheduled Meeting: 1-13-25**
- 13. Adjournment**

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MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAKE MARY ELDER AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Held December 9th, 2024, 3:00pm at Lake Mary Senior Center, 911 Wallace Court, Lake Mary, FL.

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:05pm.

2. Roll Call/Determination of a Quorum (Minimum 4 Present Required)

Members Present

Marjorie Smith

Pamela Bussey

Stephen Saker

Jose Vazquez

Members Absent

Minaz Manekia (absent, provided advanced notice)

Rocky Graves (resigned)

Catharine Williams (resigned)

Quorum was reached.

Also in attendance was Shea Mandese, Special Events Coordinator; Natalie Swain, Recreation Manager; Katie Carew, Special Events Manager; Officer Claudia Umana, LMPD; and Lilly Sexton, LMFD.

3. Approval of Minutes of 9/9/24, 10/14/24, and 11/4/24 Meetings

Stephen motioned to approve the 9/9/24 minutes as edited, Marjorie seconded. Stephen motioned to approve the 10/14/24 minutes as edited, Marjorie seconded. Stephen motioned to approve 11/4/24 minutes as edited, Marjorie seconded. The motions passed unanimously.

4. Citizen Participation

No citizen participation.

5. Chairman's Report

Pam brought a Kwanzaa handout for members for the upcoming holiday season. She also brought a video to show on her phone but will email the link to Ms. Swain to send out via email for easier viewing. A general discussion ensued about Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Chanukah being celebrated at the same time this year.

6. Lake Mary Senior Center Update

Ms. Swain reported that the Senior Center currently has 535 members, consisting of 355 non-residents and 180 residents, with no anticipated increase in membership following renewals on January 1st. The Holiday Party will be held on December 18th from 12pm to 3pm. Pam inquired about the fee associated with the party, Ms. Swain explained although the event has sponsors, the costs are not fully covered. There was further discussion about reducing/eliminating the fee, with Lilly suggesting Sonata as a potential sponsor for next year.

7. LMFD Update

Lilly reported that she would start attending the meetings regularly to push CPR training and get more involved. Tina wants to do a class regarding falls at the Senior Center. LMFD still offers a smoke/CO detector program for residents.

8. LMPD Update

Claudia reported that a Public Safety Citizens Academy is being developed for Forest residents, with potential expansion to other communities/facilities based on its success. The program will run from February to April, 2 hours per week for 10 weeks, replacing the Citizens Police Academy. Sessions will take place during the daytime on weekdays at the Forest. The Toy Drive is ongoing through December 13th, with donations going to local elementary schools. The food drive, which ended last week, was highly successful, filling all empty school pantries.

9. Old Business

- A. Ms. Carew distributed a flyer for Shred A Thon with changes from last year. This flyer has been posted at all City facilities/bulletin boards.

10. New Business

- A. Ms. Carew shared the 2024 City events calendar. Holiday in the Park was on Friday, December 6th. The Movie in the Park (Santa Claus 3) is December 20th at 6pm. The Park Party is January 3rd.
- B. Ms. Carew reported that Shred A Thon funds may be allocated to a non-profit, pending leadership discussion. There was discussion/debate about where the funds will go and if they could be used for the File of Life initiative. Ms. Carew will follow up with her chain of command.
- C. Pam and Marjorie requested a meeting with Ms. Swain and Ms. Semento before the January Elder Affairs Advisory Board meeting.
- D. Pam requested an update on Mind, Body, and Spirit. Mr. Mandese reported recent sponsor outreach, awaiting responses, and plans to follow up after the holidays. The flyer should be up by January or February.
- E. Stephen inquired about the vendor application timeline; Ms. Carew stated at least two weeks in advance.
- F. Claudia asked if non-profits still need to pay to attend; Ms. Carew will check with leadership.

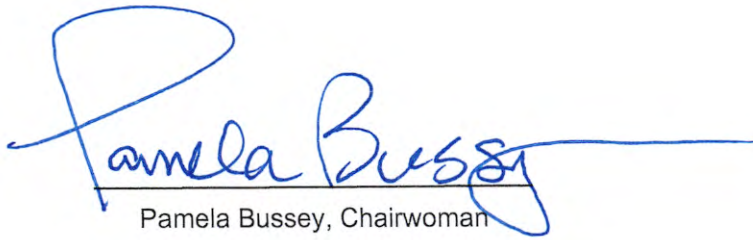
11. Member Reports and Announcements

Marjorie proposed a program for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15th, suggesting a partnership with the summer camp program to connect children and seniors. Ms. Carew suggested activities like card-making, but she and Ms. Swain agreed that collaborating directly would be difficult due to background check requirements for working with the children.

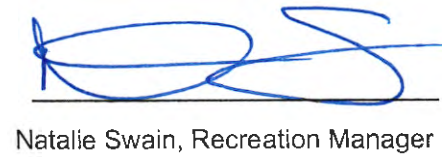
12. Next Scheduled Meeting: 1/13/2025

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, Pamela Bussey adjourned the meeting at 4:20pm.



Pamela Bussey, Chairwoman



Natalie Swain, Recreation Manager