

# Advisory Committee on Older Adults

## Minutes

**Tuesday, March 10, 2020**

**Russell Avenue Community Centre at 2:00pm**

### **Members:**

Melva Snowling, Marion Hepworth, John Meguerian, Gail Riihimaki, Dominic Ventresca

Councillor Sorento, Lori Mambella, Manager of Programs and Culture Services

**Absent:** Bonnie Purser, Georgette Proulx, Tracey Fox

### **Staff Liaison:**

Koby Vanyo, Programs Supervisor

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1. **Call meeting to order (Chair)**  
Melva Snowling called the meeting to order at 2:05pm
  2. **Recognition of Traditional Territories**
  3. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**  
Report on Chairs Forum meeting of February 27 in Thorold.
  4. **Motion to approve the agenda**  
Moved by Marion Hepworth  
That the Agenda for the meeting of March 10, 2020 be approved.  
CARRIED
  5. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**  
Moved by Gail Riihimaki  
That the Minutes of the February 25, 2020 meeting be approved.  
CARRIED
  6. **Presentations (invited guests)**  
There were none.
  7. **Business arising from the minutes**  
There was none.

8. **Business**

**a. Chairs Forum meeting update**

Not a great weather day, 6 municipalities represented  
Funding for Age Friendly Niagara Network is of priority, 3 grant applications are in, waiting for decisions  
Niagara Connects struggling to help us along without funding  
Goal to ask Niagara Region, Health and Social Services Committee to fund approximately \$60000 annually to fund continued work

International Federation on Ageing Global Conference in Niagara Falls in November 2020  
3 opportunities for municipal groups to get involved – volunteer, participate in symposium organized through AFNN, exhibit – share each municipalities AF information with world

Each municipality shared what is happening locally

Active for Life event in Pelham May 13

Masters of Applied Gerontology for student placements

AFN flag

Let's Chat benches

Senior Pride Niagara will be invited to present at this committee's meeting

To help get our information to Council, send correspondence (couple paragraphs) to Council then Sal can pull it.

Cahir Snowling will meet with MP and MPP to discuss and ask what are constituents asking/complaining about, how can we help?

**b. Work Plan**

Reviewed work plans received from Dominic, Gail and John.

9. **Date of next meeting**

Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 2pm at Russell Avenue Community Centre

10. **Motion to Adjourn**

Moved by Gail Riihimaki  
That the meeting be adjourned at 3:20pm  
CARRIED