

# Gladstone Senior Center Advisory Board Agenda

City Hall Council Chambers, 18505 Portland Avenue Tuesday, May 16, 2023 3:30p-5:00p

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## CALL TO ORDER

- a. Roll call of advisory board
- b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM Thursday, April 20th 2023

## **BUSINESS FROM THE STAFE**

- a. Welcome new board member, Maria Mitchell
- b. Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 42<sup>nd</sup> years later: **A Celebration (tour, walk-thru, music and appetizers)**
- c. Center painting interior days of limited services/closure at the center (June 1, 2, 3, 4<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10, 11, 12<sup>th</sup>

# **BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD**

- a. Mural suggestions to Hayley
- b. Work Session discussion point + how's coming? May 23rd
- c. Summer meetings?

# **BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

a. Gladstone Senior Foundation update

**ADJOURN** 

# **NEXT MEETINGS:**

June 20th – 3:30p July (summer off?)



# GLADSTONE SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES FOR APRIL 20, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mindy Proski at 8:59 a.m.

## **ROLL CALL**:

Evelyn Johannesen, Sylvia Kelner, Mindy Proski, Roxanne McMullin, Josie Whitaker; Simona Gherghisan arrived via Zoom at 9:03 a.m.

Senior Center Foundation: Bonnie & Jal Duncan in attendance

#### ABSENT:

City Council liaison Vanessa Huckaby

#### STAFF:

Jacque Betz, City Administrator; Tiffany Kirkpatrick, Community Service Manager

Chair Proski called the meeting to order. Chair Proski advised the City of Gladstone is abiding by guidelines set forth in House Bill 2560, which requires the governing body of the public body, to extent reasonably possible, to make all meetings accessible remotely through technological means and provide opportunity for members of general public to remotely submit oral and written testimony during meetings to extent in-person oral and written testimony is allowed. Therefore, this meeting will be open to the public both in person and virtually using the Zoom platform.

Chair Proski read into the record the agenda items for the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the March 21, 2023 were approved unanimously.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE STAFF:**

Tiffany Kirkpatrick provided information on the following:

The Senior Center Foundation will be sponsoring their Mother's Day Party at the Senior Center on May 12, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. – this year's theme is "Kentucky Derby"

The Gladstone Senior Center Anniversary Celebration (42 years) will be on June 6, 2023 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. This will be an open house and will include a tour of the center and garden, music by Rae Gordon and memories of when the Center opened.

Painting the interior of the Center – the goal is to slowly update areas of the Center as funding for an overall renovation is limited funding. The project will start with updating and painting the foyer and the area formerly known as the billiard room. Tiffany will be meeting with the Foundation this Thursday to request funding for this project and relay why this funding is needed.

Kitchen upgrades. Tiffany will meet with the Foundation on Thursday to discuss if the project will move forward. They have found a contractor and will share the details once a scope of work has been finalized. The Senior Center received a \$25,000 federal grant for updates and modernization of the dining room hall with the Nutrition program.

New Van. A beautiful new 12 passenger van was purchased in March and is already in use. The van cost about \$35,000. A few additional features have been ordered to improve comfort for passengers as well as adding a new logo to identify the van and its purpose.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD:**

1) Name change survey results from community outreach. Survey #1 asked the community for name suggestions for renaming the center. The survey was conducted from March 6<sup>th</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup>. There were a total of 96 responses (31 online and 65 hand written). Most were stand alone suggestions, a couple suggestions had two responses, 23 entries were for The Gladstone Community Center. The Senior Center Advisory Board discussed the results at their meeting in March and the Board voted to move forward with five (5) possible names for community outreach. Those five names were: The Gladstone Community Center, The Center of Gladstone, The Gathering Place, The Gladstone Enrichment Center and The Chautauqua Community Center.

Survey #2 asked the community to vote between the five (5) possible names. The survey was conducted from March 21<sup>st</sup> through April 6<sup>th</sup>. There were a total of 84 responses (55 online and 29 handwritten). The Gladstone Community Center received the most votes, with 57% of the votes.

Many of the name suggestions resonated with the Board, while all the names were not top choices for and official renaming, it is the opinion of the board that in addition to the official name would enhance the overall inclusivity the Board is trying to convey to the community. Therefore the Board would like to propose the following renaming of the Gladstone Senior Center to possibly include one of the following. In addition to the Gladstone Community Center being the possible official renaming adding an addition: A Place for Everyone; The Heart of Happy Rock; A Gathering Place; the Spirit of Generations; Multi-Generational Connections.

Discussion: After a brief discussion a motion was made by Simona Gherghisan, seconded by Roxanne McMullin to recommend to City Council the renaming of the Gladstone Senior Center to The Gladstone Community Center – the Spirt of Generations. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Evelyn Johannesen: yes; Sylvia Kelner: yes: Simona Gherghisan: yes; Mindy Proski: yes; Roxanne McMullin: yes; and Jose Whitaker: yes. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2) Work Session date change. Jacque Betz advised as today's Senior Center Advisory Board meeting is held after the City Council work session packet was completed the date for the City Council/Senior Center work session to discuss the Senior Center name change has been changed to May 23, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.
- 3) Postponing the Renaming of the Senior Center Advisory Board. This will be postponed until after a decision by the Council for renaming the Senior Center. Changing supporting documentation and outlines for the purpose and services the Board will provide will come next. There is also a vacant position on the Board and once that position is filled the new person can assist with this process.

- 4) Number of Members on the Senior Center Advisory Board. Increasing the number of Board members will also be postponed to discuss this summer.
- 5) Update on Mural. Jacque Betz advised the mural artist will be selected and Lori Bell the tourism consultant will be making that announcement. She also provided the Board with a homework assignment regarding general consensus on themes and answering questions that will assist the selected artist with creating the mural. Post cards of Gladstone is the theme. This is a first of its kind opportunity funded by tourism dollars to spark beautification along Portland Avenue. As tourism dollars are used for this project certain criteria will have to be met.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None

BUSINESS FROM THE SENIOR FOUNDATION: Bonnie Duncan advised the current focus of the foundation is the Senior Center Mother's Day lunch. The foundation has found an engraver for the legacy garden pavers. A very large art collection was donated to the Foundation years ago and will be on display at Bingo tomorrow night for anyone who may be interested in purchasing some art. She also stated that \$600-\$800 of the proceeds from each Bingo night has been provided to local charities who have participated.

**ADJOURN:** A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Evelyn Johannesen; yes; Sylvia Kelner, yes; Simona Gherghisan, yes: Mindy Proski, yes; Roxanne McMullin, yes; Josie Whitaker, yes. Meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

# **Upcoming meetings:**

May 16, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.