MINUTES OF THE NEENAH COMMITTEE ON AGING Thursday, January 18, 2024 9:00 a.m.

Council Chambers, Neenah City Administration Building

<u>Present:</u> Chair Joshua Kutney, Vice Chair Mike Veith, and committee members Herb Allen, Susan Antonneau, Kristi Branchford, Pati Goodman, and Mary Nackers. <u>Also Present:</u> City of Neenah Assistant Planner Carol Kasimor, Kate Yates, ForeverWell program, Fox Cities YMCA; Lori Duclon, Winnebago County Health Department; and Jim Lauer, Neenah.

Public Appearances:

Kate Yates, Fox Cities YMCA ForeverWell program director, reported on program activities including the film series and art classes. Lori Duclon, Winnebago County Health Department, discussed prevalent illnesses in the community and vaccinations recommended for older adults.

Approval of minutes of the December 21, 2023 meeting:

On a motion by Anntonneau seconded by Allen and carried, the minutes of the December 21, 2023 meeting were approved as distributed.

Update from Winnebago County Health Department on social isolation resources:

Lori Duclon and committee members discussed activities available to prevent and reduce social isolation. Many activities are available but providing transportation is essential to involve residents.

Services and programs available from Fox Valley Memory Project were discussed, including Memory Café, Mindworks, Lunch Bunch and the Purple Tube project, which provides emergency information for medical responders.

Update on local spring elections:

There will be an aldermanic primary race held in Neenah District 1. A candidate forum will be held on February 8 by the League of Women Voters at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Administration Building before the primary on February 20. There will be a Neenah Board of Education candidate forum held at 7:00 p.m. that evening. District 3 will have a contested election and in District 3 the incumbent Brian Borchardt is running unopposed. The spring election takes place April 2.

Committee members suggested asking aldermanic candidates questions relating to the needs of older adults in the community and having them respond in writing.

Announcements and future agenda items:

Next meeting: Aging and Disability Resource Center Dementia-Related Programs and Supports.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Allen, seconded by Vieth and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Carol Kasimor, Assistant Planner

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