

**MINUTES
SENIORS COMMISSION
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
FEBRUARY 7, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of the Monroe Township Seniors Commission was called to order by Chairperson Jeanette Remsen at 7:05pm in the 2nd Floor Meeting Room of the Municipal Complex. Notice of this meeting was given as required by the annual notice of meetings.

Chairperson Jeanette Remsen led the Commission in the salute to our flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Rosemarie Buriak, Mary Chiodo, Lillian Hendrickson, Veronica Kwasniewski, Nancy Lorraine, Mel O'Connell, Jeanette Remsen, Helen Venable, Cncl. Rich DiLucia

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nancy Lorraine made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Seniors Commission Meeting of January 10, 2013. The motion was seconded by Rosemarie Buriak and approved by all members of the Commission in attendance; abstain by Mary Chiodo and Cncl. Rich DiLucia, who were not in attendance of the January meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS

Chairperson Jeanette Remsen noted that the Commission has the show 'Butterflies Are Free' booked at Hunterdon Hills with Safety Tours for \$61.00; Jonathan Tours is booking it for \$72.00. The Commission is booking 'Noah' for \$88.00; Jonathan Tours is booking for \$110.00.

Jeanette told the Commission that she needs two people to be at Town Hall for the February trip, because she will not be there; she will be picking up two people who are taking the trip. She needs one person to check people in and take money, and one person to handout the menu cards. Rosemarie Buriak said she can help and be there by 8:30am. Mel O'Connell may be able to also, but Jeanette said she may be there by 8:30am.

Jeanette mentioned that trips are booked through May: January trip was 'Back To The 50s' at Resorts Casino on January 16th, February trip – 'Butterflies Are Free' at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on February 16th, March trip – 'Showtime' at Resorts Casino' on March 20th, April trip – BINGO and breakfast at Peddler's Village on April 18th, May trip – 'Noah' at Sight and Sound Theatre on May 16th. Jeanette noted that there is currently \$1,250.00 posted to the budget for the Seniors Commission, which makes it \$100 short on paying for February and April trips; not until the rest of the 2013 budget is established, they can't plan where else to go for the rest of the year. Cncl. Rich DiLucia discussed the township's assessments, current budget and cuts that need to be made for 2013. The Seniors Commission may not be able to get more than \$4,800.00 in their budget, but he will see if more could be given to cover all the trips for 2013. Cncl. DiLucia also noted that he is happy to be the Liaison of the Seniors Commission for 2013. Jeanette informed Cncl. DiLucia that the Commission uses Safety Tours, which they have a good relationship with. She noted that if there is a 56-passenger bus, which cost an extra \$100, the Commission will get it without extra charge. Safety Tours also works with paying by purchase orders and Marnie helps get the best prices.

Jeanette asked the members if they had any ideas on what to do in the next coming months with the Commission. The members looked over trip/show flyers. After some discussion, the members are looking to possibly book 'Cats' at Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre on June 13th, 'South Pacific' at Surf Light Theatre in July, 'Broadway: Now and Forever' at American Music Theatre in August or September, The Duprees at Trump Taj Mahal on October 2nd for \$60.00, 'Gypsy' at The Grand Theater in Williamstown on November 8th and eating at Villa Deli, which may not be able to go to The Grand Theater because of parking and some people having a problem with walking and it being dark/night time. Jeanette will call Emma about eating at the Moshulu and going to the Sugar House Casino. She will also look into Careme's Restaurant at the Academy of Culinary Arts at AtlantiCape Community College.

Nancy Lorraine asked Chairperson Jeanette Remsen if she could bring a subject forward for discussion. She asked about when a trip could be paid for in advance; for example, if the 'Noah' trip is booked for May 16th, how far in advance can it be paid for. Jeanette explained that it depends on when the other trips before it is paid for and that a set date cannot be made. There currently are two trips open to be able to pay for, only because the two trips together would cost \$63.00, which is usually the price of only one trip; also, because she's not sure if enough people are interested in the BINGO at Peddler's Village. Jeanette said that she only puts out one trip flyer out at a time, except for this time putting the two out because of the low cost of the trips. A couple of members agreed that for book-keeping purposes, it is easier/more efficient to advertise/pay for one trip at a time; that the way the process has been and has worked is fine to continue that way. Jeanette said that people have been calling her about the 'Noah' show; she will be taking names and when it's ready to be advertised/paid for, she will make phone calls to them.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Jeanette Remsen asked for a motion to adjourn. Mel O'Connell made a motion to adjourn the Monroe Township Seniors Commission Meeting of February 7, 2013. The motion was seconded by Veronica Kwasniewski; all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Aileen Wojciechowski, Secretary

The next scheduled Monroe Township Seniors Commission meeting is Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 7:00pm.

These minutes were prepared from hand-written notes of the Regular Seniors Commission Meeting of February 7, 2013 and serve as only a synopsis of the proceedings.

Approved as submitted _____ Date _____
Approved as corrected _____ Date _____