

Minutes of Senior Services Commission Meeting of September 2, 2026 – Kallsen Center

CALL To ORDER:

The Tinley Park Senior Services Commission meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen**.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners Present: Andy Ashmus
 Sam Avalos
 Estelle Campos
 Celeste Figliulo
 Renee Galvin
 Renu Ladsaria
 Elizabeth Wyllie
 Denise Maly-Politano, Commission Secretary
 Roxane Tyssen, Senior Center Administrator
 Trustee William Brady
 Clerk Nancy O'Connor
 Lisa Butler, Executive Assistant/Staff Liaison
 Marie Ryan, Senior Program Coordinator
 Guest: Veronica Tharpe
Commissioners Absent: Bob Hayes, Chairman
 Vicki Hayes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Roxane Tyssen declared the Agenda approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by **Celeste Figliulo**, seconded by **Estelle Campos**, to approve the August 5, 2026, minutes of the Senior Services Commission meeting. **Roxane Tyssen** declared the Minutes approved.

REPORTS:

Senior Center Updates and Reports (Roxane Tyssen)

A. Financial Report:

Roxane Tyssen gave the financial report. Costs are up due to the August cook out. Spent around \$4,000.00 YTD. We have a credit at Winston's due to a double payment. Will use for Oktoberfest and upcoming BBQ.

B. Membership

Senior Center Administrator **Roxane Tyssen** reported membership at 498.

C. Activities

Roxanne Tyssen stated new activities will be offered soon at the Senior Center and changes are being made.

Lisa Butler stated the center will be open an additional two days a week for the extending programming.

Clerk O'Connor and **Trustee Brady** will be grill master's for the cancelled and now rescheduled BBQ. Plan on starting grills at 11:00 a.m. Already gave shopping/grocery list to Public Works and ordered grills and tents. Ordering potato salad and broccoli salad from Winston's.

Elizabeth Wyllie stated more storms are expected. What is our backup plan?

[Discussion continues on backup plan – what/where to order food as a backup.]

NEW BUSINESS

Roxane Tyssen stated Oktoberfest is set for October 14th at St. Stephens. Expect 175 people with 150 members and 25 allowed for St. Stephens seniors. Winston's will be ordered with pork cutlets, vegetable medley, baked chicken, macaroni and cheese and potato pancakes. Culver's ice cream for dessert with strudel sticks. Case donations will be accepted for Tinley Wish and canned goods and clothing accepted for Together We Cope.

Roxane Tyssen discussed a plan for the upcoming Senior Center five year anniversary reopening after COVID. She is looking for ideas and input for celebrating.

OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS:

Future Trips and Excursions – Marie Ryan

February 4, 2027 is "Dancing With the Stars" at the Tinley Park Convention Center. Auditions held September 10th and September 17th. Fun event with photo ops on the red carpet.

Chicago Architectural Tour scheduled for September 24th. Spots are still available.

Starved Rock - September 21st . Sold out.

October 7th - Joints in Motion new session begins. \$5.00 a class.

October 9th - Speed Dating at the 80th Avenue train station. Winners will receive a dinner and a limo ride.

October 29th – Senior Center Halloween Party.

Also planning a trip to New York to see the Rockettes November 15th to the 20th.

Line Dancing will begin in November. This will be once a week at Durbin's.

Renee Galvin asked when we will find out confirmed dates if staff meeting is tomorrow? Not much notice if we find out confirmed dates at next commission meeting.

Clerk O'Connor suggested sending an email to update the commission.

Lisa Butler said there is now a suggestion box at the Senior Center.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

N/A.

RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

N/A.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by **Estelle Campos**, seconded by **Renee Galvin**. Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

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