

# Hopewell Valley Senior Advisory Board

## Minutes for Meeting Wednesday, August 17, 2016

**Attending:** Larry Mansier, chair, Sonny Pannebianco, Jean Harrington, Stan Saperstein, Rosaline Fleming, Ann Bolick, Weed Tucker, Hopewell Township Liaison Vanessa Sandom, Hopewell Borough Liaison Chris Fossil and Acting Senior Coordinator, Randi Kneckel. Absent Nils Stout and Pennington Liaison, Joe Lawver.

Call to Order 2:02 p.m. Notice of Public Meeting given and met

Minutes of July 20, 2016 meeting unanimously approved

**Chair Remarks:** Larry Mansier commented on excellent report by Mary Gilioto in *Mercer Me* about the Hopewell Township Planning Board meeting concerning the non-binding “conceptual review” seeking guidance about including an assisted living/ continuing care facility in the area also including discussion of use of 8,000 square foot Butler building “hut” for use as a senior center to be shared with Hopewell Township Emergency Services about one third for EMT use and two thirds as a senior center. Briefly stated, Mr. Mansier was pleased that the long search for a senior center is coming to an end although one or two roads need to be designated from private to public use.

**Planning Board Meeting:** See above and *Mercer Me* report as distributed

Mr. Mansier presented and read a list for the 501 (c) 3 Hopewell Valley Senior Foundation of contributions to the present Senior Center on Reading Street.

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| 1, handicapped bathroom                  | 10. Wi-fi                 |
| 2. Automatic door                        | 11. Printer/copier        |
| 3 Tables                                 | 12. book case             |
| 4. Chairs (two sets)                     | 13. Art rack              |
| 5. Venetian blinds                       | 14. New Bingo set         |
| 6. Repaint interior, power wash exterior | 15. Tuned piano           |
| 7. Six pc computers and charging cabinet | 16. Defibrillator         |
| 8. pull down screen                      | 17. Sign (HV Lions)       |
| 9. optical projector                     | 18. wheelchair )HV Lions) |

**Senior Center Visit:** Mr. Mansier also reported that he will host a tour of the Senior Center for Mary Gilioto of *Mercer Me* with Acting Senior Coordinator Randi Kneckel.

**Senior Services Coordinator Report:** Randi Kneckel reported that HV Rides Program is up and running again. Aging In Place group was very helpful with refunds and new tickets.

## **SABMINUTES --- 2**

### **Events and Programs.**

**July:** First class of Exercise for the Active Aging with Bob Kirby, Walking Canes with Goodwill Medical Supply, Medication Safety – Capital Health, Coffee Connections – Mercer Me, Pride in History, African American Presence in the Sourlands and Hopewell Valley, Interfaith Caregivers.

**August:** Tai Chi Introduction with Bev Tucker August 17, Role of Women in Civil War August 24, both programs at Senior Center.

**Upcoming Events and Programs:** Senior Picnic 12-3 p.m. Thursday. September 8 Washington Crossing State Park, Artists Choice: Hopewell Branch, Mercer county Library, Sept. 8, Tai Chi Classes: Tuesday, Sept. 13 – November 1, Baby Boomers Series: Social Security Savvy: How to Maximize Your Benefits, 6:30 p.m. Sep, 17, GrandPals, a pilot program for building relationships with elementary students through the power of reading. (See September Senior Spirit and/or contact Randi at (609) 537-0236.

**Finance:** Need to seek grants for transportation to keep HV Rides running.

**Publicity:** See flyers, Senior Spirit, newspaper updates weekly. **Social Services:** Tax assistance, estate information, Hopewell Township Tax Relief, Housing options.

**Liaison Reports:** None

**Committee Reports and Coordinator Salary:** Vanessa Sandom reported that the Coordinator job has been posted with Opening Date of August 12 and Closing Date of September 12 with a salary of \$63,125.34. There have been some in-house applications and some from outside. Mansier requested an updated job description as did Tucker.

**Explorations:** Mansier distributed a list for the eighth year of the Program with includes:

Philosophy Is Killing Me: The Trial and Death of Socrates – Lesley Cohen Lee  
Mondays, Oct. 10, 17, 24, 31 and Nov. 7, 14. 1 p.m.

Mind and Body: Sudoku & Oscar's Longevity Stick – Bill Traubel  
Tuesdays, Oct. 11, 18, 25, and Nov. 1, 10. 10 a.m.

American Master: Three Plays of Thornton Wilder – Larry Mansier  
Tuesdays: Oct. 11, 18, 25, and Nov. 1, 8, 15. 1 p.m.

The Supreme Court: the Warren, Burger and Renquest Courts – Madeleine Mansier  
Wednesday Oct. 12, 19, 26, and Nov. 2, 9, 1 p.m.

Routes of the American Revolution - Bill Guthrie  
Thursdays: Oct. 13, 20, 27 and Nov. 3 1 p.m.

There was no Old Business or New Business. Adjournment 2:55 p.m.

Next Meeting September 21, 2016. Respectfully submitted Weed Tucker