

MEETING MINUTES
MACEC Committee on Aging
Wednesday April 15th, 2015
8:00 a.m.
Lower level of Merrill City Hall

Members Present: Eugene Simon (Chairperson), S. Peggy Jackelen, Art Lersch
Absent: Chris Malm (Aldersperson), Diane Goetsch, Mary Ball, Erin Wells (ADRC)

Minutes

1. Opening

- a. Meeting called to order by Simon

2. Consent Items

- a. Minutes will need to be approved in May meeting
- b. Vouchers will need to be approved in May meeting

3. Newsletter Q&A

- a. Q&A for May newsletter is regarding parking for the Center. We advised community to use our City Bus.
- b. We encourage the committee to stop down during Thursday meal for discussion.

4. Program updates

- a. Bus trip policy and emergency contact documents are now created. Participants will be required to provide this information and pay for the trip during a specified sign up date.
- b. New wellness class for the summer is Yoga/Meditation.
- c. Volunteers are making Memorial Wreaths which will be placed in the cemetery the week before Memorial Day.
- d. Our volunteer appreciation luncheon went very well. We had 55 people attend.

5. Capital Project Plan for New Center

- a. Director discussed the initial meeting with Becher-Hoppe Assoc., Inc. Lersch inquired into the cost of this first proposed floor plan based off the needs list provided by us. This information should be available the week of April 20th.
- b. Committee supports project
- c. Next steps are to continue to write the Project Plan and gather all pertinent information.

6. Correspondence

- a. Lersch felt it would be challenging to find an existing building in Merrill for the new Center. We will examine all possible options and request for builders to examine existing building so we have a cost to compare against a new building.
- b. Lersch also shared the city has idle sites grants that may be available for the new Center. He also stated the city may own land that could be donated. We will check into this.
- c. Jackelen discussed Green Energy Grants, Gov't and LEED certified savings, and Focus on Energy relative to a new Center.

7. ADRC Representative update – not in attendance

8. Public Comment – none

9. Adjournment

*The next Committee meeting will be held on May 20th at 8am.
Vouchers will be available for review 15 minutes prior to meeting time.*

Respectfully submitted,

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