

Hopewell Valley Senior Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
Hopewell Valley Senior Center

Attendees: Larry Mansier, William Farmer, Tom Di Muzio,
Noel Goeke, Nils Stout, Rosaline Fleming

Members Absent: Severino Di Cocco, Jean Harrington,
Anne Bolick

Others Present: Abigail Waugh, Hopewell Valley Senior
Coordinator, Kim Johnson, Hopewell Twp. liaison, Weed Tucker,
Pennington Boro liaison

The meeting was called to order at 2:11 by President Larry
Mansier.

A quorum was present. Notice was made of meeting consistent
with the Open Public Meetings Act requirements.

Minutes: The minutes of the October 19, 2011 were unanimously
approved.

Coordinator Report

Senior Advisory Board meetings will remain on the third
Wednesday of the month for the foreseeable future. The Board
members were encouraged to attend the Senior Luncheons on the
same day and attend the Board meetings after the lunch.
Six of the SAB members are planning on attending the
Senior lunch on October 16 at the High School.

Administration:

Attended Hopewell Valley Municipal Alliance Meeting
Solicited input on new paint color for interior walls of the Senior
Center.

Attended Hopewell township training on managing grant funds

Events and Programs

Had speakers from the State Health Insurance Assistance Program who discussed topics of Medicare Insurance among other related subjects.

New Program is being investigated...it is a Brain Teaser Group for December or January.

Coffee Connections was well attended (22) on the "Images of Hopewell".

Hopewell Valley senior Services booth was well attended at the Harvest fair, despite the cold day.

Publicity

See flyers, Senior Spirit, www.hvseniors.org, and newspapers

Social Services

Completed several home visits to long time residents...financial needs are too great for many

Worked with many during the power outages

Worked with Hopewell Valley Emergency Services regarding carbon monoxide detector installation in resident's homes

Transportation

Transportation Fair was not well attended, however, a session will be re-scheduled for a Saturday morning in the spring of 2012.

Volunteers:

Recruited volunteers to re-paint the Senior Center

Penny town-- Marshalls Corner Project

Larry Mansier reported on the press conference that announced the Mercer County \$1.5 mm matching grant to help build the new Senior Center.

Next step in the process is the return of plans for the site to be reviewed with the three municipalities in late November.

Once a resolution is committed to by the municipalities to match the grant the SAB will prepare a pre application document to be reviewed with the County administration.

Public Comment: N/A

Committee Reports:

Explorations:

Classes continue and the watercolors class will be extended to 8 weeks. A springtime curriculum is being planned for just after Easter in 2012.

Ewing Computer Volunteer has been asked and accepted an opportunity to assist with the set up and initial classes at the Senior Center.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

Meeting was adjourned at 3:41 P.M.

Submitted by Tom Di Muzio