

**CLARENCE SENIOR CITIZENS, Inc.
4600 THOMPSON ROAD
CLARENCE, NY 14031**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Date: April 10, 2025**

Meeting called to order in Room 7 at 11am by Chair Lori Adams.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Lori Adams, Jim Blum, Brendan Cullinan, Carol Gettings, Bob Hoag,
Michael Ramaccia, Paul Schulz, Jay Steinbrenner, Thomas Ternquist,
Wayne West (in 11:56 am).

EXCUSED: Kathleen Bryant.

Executive Director: Heather Kraemer

Town Board Liaison: Daniel Michnik

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MISSION STATEMENT - Bob Hoag

SECRETARY'S REPORT- Jim Blum

Minutes - March 13, 2025 Regular Board meeting minutes distributed. No corrections known.
Motion to accept draft minutes of March 13, 2025 made by Jim Blum. Second by Thomas Ternquist.

Voting to approve draft March 13 minutes aye (7) Blum, Cullinan, Gettings, Hoag, Ramaccia,
Steinbrenner, Ternquist.

Voting nay (0). Voting abstain (1) Schulz.

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Bob Hoag

Financials - February results reviewed. We are in a good cash position. Investments are holding well. Expenses are all in line.

BOARD CHAIR REPORT - Lori Adams

Annual Meeting - Today at 1 pm. Same format as prior years. Will take questions on cards for Board members to answer.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Heather Kraemer

COF March 2025

As of 03/31/2025 - Paid members 843; Total bus mileage 58,400

Month of March - New Members 32; Total Attendance 1,219; Activities 1,432;
Special Events 287; Off-Site Events 69; Meals Served 770; Meals (frozen) 574;
Shuttle Riders 126; Shuttle Miles 1,694.

Comments - Highlights of March were covered. Renewals of membership were earlier than previous years as we followed up.

During February we collected \$593 in donations for the Second Chance Sheltering Network in honor of our long time employee who passed away.

In March we collected donations for the White Whiskers Senior Dog Sanctuary which is based in Akron.

We also collected food donations to support a Youth Bureau project.

My Senior Center Software - During the last week of March we began training sessions for members. System can be used at our kiosk, on a phone, or at home. Members key tags are being rolled out in April to current members. We are encouraging members to set up a basic account. We will help those who need it. We will continue training monthly.

RSVP (Retired & Senior Volunteer Program) - On hold due to delay in funding the County. We agreed to the Memorandum of Understanding after implementation of the MYSENIORCENTER software which would maintain some required records. Provides recognition of volunteers.

Erie County Grants - We expect a check soon and another check after July first.

February Highlights - In addition to our regularly scheduled programs.

03/03, 03/17 Paula's Donuts
03/03 Book Club
03/04 Niagara Casino - Mardi Gras Event
03/04 Healthy Living
03/04 03/11, 03/18, 03/25 Movie Matinees
03/04 Fat Tuesday Lunch and Music
03/05 Medical Marijuana Information Session
03/06, 03/13, 03/20, 03/27 Gentle Yoga
03/06 National Cookie Day and Ice Cream
03/11 Notre Dame Cathedral by Bob Poczik
03/11 Clarence High School Musical Senior Night
03/11, 03/25 Bingo Bash
03/13 Music and Pastries
03/14 Pi Day Celebration
03/18 St. Paddy's Day Lunch with DJ Biggs
03/18 Indoor Picnic with music by the Hastings Duo
03/18 Oil & Acrylic Painting Class
03/20 Welcome Spring Lunch
03/21 Bird House Painting
03/25 Alzheimer & Dementia Education

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03/27 Soup and Sandwich Lunch w/dessert bar
03/27 Potluck Dinner
03/28 Cinnamon Roll Breakfast
03/30 Diners at Desiderios & Matinee

Future Events

04/09 Tara Country Inn - Day trip to Clark, Pa - Gone with the Wind inspired mansion. Lunch, Guided Tour, Shopping Trip

05/6-8 Pennsylvania Dutch Country Adventure including "Noah" at the Sights and Sound Theater, "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater, Hershey Farm for authentic Dutch dinner, and a guided visit to an Amish Village in Lancaster, PA.

05/21 Health Fair 10-1 pm in Clarence Town Clubhouse. Several new features including outside eating, exhibits, and singers.

05/29 I Love Lucy Tour - Lucille Ball Museum Tour, Tropicana Room for Lunch, and tour of National Comedy Museum

06/12 Jesus Christ Superstar performance at Merry-Go-Round Playhouse in Auburn, NY

09/06 Basket Raffle here.

10/6-11th Nashville trip announcement soon, 100th Anniversary of Grand Ole Opry

10/08 Housing Fair

EXECUTIVE & PEC - Lori Adams

Executive Committee - Met to plan the agenda for this meeting.

Performance Evaluation Committee (PEC) - Met for review with Executive Director in March. Will meet again in June.

FINANCE - Brendan Cullinan

COF 02/27/2025

Budget Review - Audit is complete with minor revisions and available for the Annual Meeting.

Finances - We're in good shape, cash flow remained very good.

Investments - Some changes were made in Vanguard investments to reduce risk.

Stove - Consensus that we should purchase a new stove. Looking at financial options. Use of grants and possibly investment funds. Doing this means most of inside equipment is owned by the Center.

MEMBERSHIP & PROGRAMS - Thomas Ternquist

COF 03/03/2025

Member Survey - After much discussion at the meeting it is ready to go.

Walk coming up for walking club.

Comment on should we have an investment club.

NOMINATING - Carol Gettings

No report. No Board applicants.

PERSONNEL - Jay Steinbrenner

No report. Hired great candidate for Nutrition who has a lot of experience.

LEGISLATION & BYLAWS - Jim Blum

No Report.

PLANNING - Jim Blum

No Report.

OLD (unfinished) BUSINESS -

None.

NEW BUSINESS -

None.

TOWN BOARD LIAISON - Daniel Michnik

- 1) Parking Lot - Working on drainage. Will rearrange entrance to improve traffic pattern.
- 2) Senior Center Sign - Approved. Picture demonstrated. Internal lighting. \$25,000.
- 3) Meals on Wheels Enclosure Canopy - Waiting for start. Affects kitchen and receiving area.
- 4) Painting of Center - Parks Department doing. Almost completed.
- 5) Town Fishing Tournament - This weekend. Age 15 and under

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- 6) Easter Egg Hunt - 04/19 by Youth Bureau.
- 7) Town Summer Help - Especially Pool, Parks, and Highway. Apply on Town web site.
Also full time openings in Parks and Highway.
- 8) Senior Center Garage - Not sure of start date

PUBLIC COMMENTS (received in writing)

Public Comments - No Public Comments were submitted at the March Board meeting.

No Public Comments were submitted at this meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -

Motion to go into Executive Session under NYS Public Officers Law, Article 7, Section 105 (1f) of the Open Meetings Law to discuss the work history of more than one specific individual made by Jim Blum. Second by Thomas Ternquist.

Voting aye (8) Blum, Cullinan, Gettings, Hoag, Ramaccia, Schulz, Steinbrenner,
Ternquist.

Voting nay (0).

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to go out of Executive Session made by Jim Blum. Second by Thomas Ternquist.

Voting aye (9) Blum, Cullinan, Gettings, Hoag, Ramaccia, Schulz, Steinbrenner,
Ternquist, West.

Voting nay (0).

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT-There being no other business, Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:10 pm.

TRAINING SESSION - Board member fiduciary handout at meeting.

TOWN HAPPENINGS - Daniel Michnik (Covered earlier)

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - Thursday, April 10, 2025

Jim Blum, Secretary