

**KENAI COUNCIL ON AGING  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 9, 2022 – 3:00 P.M.  
KENAI SENIOR CENTER  
CHAIR RACHAEL CRAIG, PRESIDING**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Craig called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 p.m.

a. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Craig led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

b. **Roll was confirmed as follows:**

Members Present: R. Craig, R. Williams, C. Thornton, V. Geller, B. Modigh, F. Kilfoyle, A. Heckert, J. Straughn

Members Absent:

A quorum was present.

Staff/Council Liaison: Senior Center Director K. Romain, and Council Liaison H. Knackstedt

c. **Agenda Approval**

**MOTION:**

Member Geller **MOVED** for approval of the agenda as presented and Member Modigh **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections. **SO ORDERED.**

2. **SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.

3. **UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT** -- None.

4. **APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY**

a. May 12, 2022

**MOTION:**

Member Thornton **MOVED** to approve the May 12, 2022 meeting summary. Member Geller **SECONDED** the motion. There were no objections. **SO ORDERED.**

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** -- None.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Discussion** – Library Resources for Seniors, Presentation by Elizabeth Kleweno of the Kenai Library

Kenai Library Program Manager/Coordinator Kleweno gave a PowerPoint presentation on the different programs available at the Library, especially for seniors.

b. **Discussion** – Greenhouse Dedication in July

Director Romain announced that the dedication for the Bill Osborn Memorial Greenhouse is set for Tuesday, July 12 at 3:00 pm. She clarified that the greenhouse is fully operational and now growing tomatoes and cucumbers for the Senior Center kitchen.

7. **REPORTS**

- a. Senior Center Director – Director Romain reported on the following:
  - Kenai Peninsula Borough grant will be increased by 10% for FY23.
  - Current project replacing mechanical systems for the walk-in cooler and freezer. Weaver Brothers and Doyle Fuel have supplied a freezer reefer in the interim.
  - Coolers for home meal clients went out this month.
  - The deep fryer and new coffee machine have arrived. These were funded by the ARPA grant through Alaska Community Foundation.
  - Asked to schedule the Council on Aging work session for September.
  - Vintage Pointe Manor and Senior Center's flowers were planted by volunteers and staff. This was a big change from previous years with substantial savings.
- b. Council on Aging Chair – Chair Craig reported on the following:
  - Concerns about rising costs vs grants as it pertains to Senior Center funding.
- c. City Council Liaison – Council Member Knackstedt reported on the actions of the May 18 and June 1, 2022, City Council Meetings.
  - Discussed the land donation to the Boys and Girls Club

8. **NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION** – July 14, 2022

City Manager Ostrander will give an update on the Bluff Erosion and Riverfront Restoration Projects.

9. **COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Member Geller said she would like to see coffee donations given by those who utilize the Center for games and activities.

10. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

11. **INFORMATION ITEMS** – None.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Council on Aging meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. Member Thornton made a motion to adjourn and member Geller seconded the motion.

Meeting summary prepared and submitted by:



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