

## *Hampton Senior Citizens Advisory Committee*

*Hampton Senior Center, 3501 Kecoughtan Road*

*March 7, 2022 ~ 10:00am*

**Present:** Linda H. Kindred-Chair; Jeanette Augustine-Vice Chair, Cassandra Alston-Townsley, Martha Clark, Doris Farmer, Yvonne Gaynor, George Gwynn, Martha C. Johnson,

**Absent:** C’Faison Harris

**City/Lead Agency Reps:** Mayor Donnie Tuck, Angela King (Asst. City Attorney), Dave McCauley (HPRLS), Yolanda Clark (Social Services), Gina Lewis (Foster Grandparents Program), Susan Elswick (HPRLS), Shaeron King (HPRLS), William Massey (Peninsula Agency on Aging), Mary Mills-Collins (Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board)

**Guests:** Sheriff Karen Bowden, Lt. Alonzo Cherry (Hampton Sheriff’s Office)

### **I. Roll Call & Approval of February Minutes**

Vice Chair Jeanette Augustine conducted the roll call; a quorum was present. Chair Linda Kindred reminded everyone to be sure to sign in at the front desk upon entering the center and on the SCAC sign-in sheet. Ms. Kindred called the meeting to order by thanking everyone for attending and opened with prayer. She asked if the committee read the February minutes and if there were any questions/corrections. A motion to accept the February minutes as written was made by Yvonne Gaynor and was seconded by Ms. Alston-Townsley. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Ms. Kindred asked Mr. McCauley if he had any information that he wanted to share at this time. Mr. McCauley stated that wearing the mask was lifted during Covid and if anyone chose to wear a mask that was their decision. He also provided updates on the PR&LS Master Plan restart and that it will be finalized this summer. There will be opportunity for Community input for which he will provide information at a later date.

### **II. Old Business**

#### **By-Laws Amendment Update**

Assistant City Attorney Angela King informed the Committee that City Council approved the recommended changes to the by-laws at its February 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Ms. King provided hard copies of the updated by-laws to Committee members and indicated an electronic copy would be sent to staff for further distribution.

### III. **New Business**

#### **Mayor's Youth Violence Update**

### IV. **Presentation**

#### **Hampton Sheriff's Office**

Sheriff Karen Bowden provided information regarding fraud and common scams, and tips on how to avoid them. She noted that federal agencies, such as the Internal Revenue Service, will not contact you via telephone to ask for personal information or require that payments be made over the telephone using gift cards. She encouraged people who feel they are being scammed to reach out to entities such as the Sheriff's Office for help. Sheriff Bowden also provided updates regarding the Sheriff's Office, including employee appreciation efforts, a staff luncheon to be held in May, upgrades to the staff lounges, transitioning into the old Circuit Court building, and the Adopt-A-Senior program.

### V. **Lead Agency Updates**

#### **Peninsula Agency on Aging**

William Massey stated that PAA is holding its annual forum in October and also talked about the Meals on Wheels program.

A member of the audience provided information on shared living arrangements for seniors. She provided her name and contact information to the Committee.

#### **Hampton Senior Center**

Susan Elswick announced an upcoming painting event.

### VI. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

*Submitted by Jeanette Augustine*