

West Seneca Senior Services Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2024, 6:15 PM Meeting
@ West Seneca Senior Center 4620 Seneca St
West Seneca NY 14224

Meeting is called to order at 6:15PM

Roll Call Present: Member Busse, Chairwoman Brotka, Member Baron,
Member Halady, Town Council Liaison Jeff Piekarec.

Excused Absence: Member Stephens

Approval of minutes from last Advisory Board Meeting: Motion by Chairwoman
Brotka, 2nd by Baron. Motion Passed 4-0

- Nomination and vote for New Secretary: no one wished to serve as secretary at this time. Town Council Liaison Jeff Piekarec agreed to serve as acting Secretary for this meeting.
- Update on search for new director: Councilman Piekarec has stated that the search which has been ongoing since June has not gone well. Most applicants have not met the civil service requirements. Union Mandated salary and residency requirement has deterred some applicants from accepting the job. Recruitment efforts and advertising for the position are continuing.
- Acting Senior Services Director to give general update on membership: current membership stands at 2,894 members. Member Busse ran through list of upcoming senior events which are available on town website.
- Update on where 2025 Senior Services budget process currently stands: Town Supervisor submitted tentative budget which town board after making an amendment turned into the preliminary budget. The public hearing on the budget will take place on Wednesday November 6th at 6pm. The senior service revenue goal was increased from last year, but additional money for account clerks was proposed for next year's budget, though not as high of an amount as hoped for.
- Update on Senior Center van search/2025 building improvements, town has applied for new van through CDBG funding. The town is also on a

waiting list for a new van through the county as well. In the proposed budget, Councilman Piekarec stated that money has been included to replace the front entrance/exit door to the center.

- Discussion on possible plans for the lower floor of the senior center. Councilman Piekarec stated that highway garage renovations are coming along nicely and that he expected the electrical maintenance department to move there from Senior Center by March. He also expected the clerk's records room to move to highway building in Summer/Fall of 2025. Members of the advisory board mentioned the possibility of expanding the exercise area, establishing another classroom and maybe adding locker rooms down there. The new senior director when hired will also likely offer input on this.
- Items brought up for discussion by members of the advisory board: no new issues were brought up.
- Issues of the public: no issues were brought up.
- Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:19PM by Chairwoman Brotka, 2nd by Member Busse motion passed 4-0