

**Ad-hoc Strategic Planning Committee and Survey Results Presentation  
City of Port Washington – Adult Community Senior Center**

*August 4, 2015*

*Present:* John Jacque, Edie Webb, Mary Fran Lepaska, Irene Taylor, Joe Millonzi, Director  
Catherine Kiener, John Sigwart, Alderman Bill Driscoll, Tom Murphy, Paul Ehrlich,

*Excused:* Chris Flint

*Next meeting:* Tuesday, September 1st, 2015

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The meeting was called to order at 4:30 and minutes reviewed and approved by John Sigwart and seconded by John Millonzi.

There were no public attendees/comments.

John J. opened the meeting and asked for a general conclusion of the survey. Catherine shared the cross referenced data pages (packets that contain data to the survey showing; for instance, just responses to those 55+, etc.). She stated that the majority want to see a Senior Center retained intact – either as a Community Center or as just a Senior Center, and want increased parking. The final analysis is due the end of August.

A member asked how senior offerings are publicized. The answer: Information is sent to “Transitions” the supplement in the Ozaukee Press, the city website, the monthly newsletter, press releases, community flyers that go to the library, Park/Rec, etc., occasionally in church bulletins, YMCA, and more.

Suggestions included at the ADRC site/brochures/newsletters, ads in church bulletins, in any welcome packets distributed, realtor new-homeowner contacts, and more.

Asked about the gender ratio of the center, Catherine said that visually, the center attracts about 10% men, and less in most classes.

Joe M. asked, “Where do we go from here?” Once the final report is received in late August and the presentation is made to the common council in September, the committee will be asked to formulate suggestions for moving forward. With the lease expiration (Jan '17 + any extension) Tom M. felt the timeline was closing in. John S. noted, and Bill D. affirmed that the next budget cycle for the city will be next October. Bill talked of budget constraints, advised others to attend budget meetings, and suggested that a private facility, not a city-owned facility was best. He felt that combining with Park/Rec added to the budget availability, but also would slow down the decision process. Catherine mentioned that Park/Rec is finding that more restrictions on public school use (security issues, time usage) makes their event staging more challenging.

This led to a discussion regarding land acquisition. John M. asked of the city’s commitment to seniors after the decisions that have led to this current predicament (a leased former church, parking, and more). Property that is owned by the schools (near

the Woods at White Pine east of LL) was discussed. Costs for building a new center were discussed. Catherine said '08 costs on city-owned property for a combined center were at 1.4 million. Coal Dock property was discussed and John S. reminded all that the land there is restricted to a public building.

Other ideas shared were the park near Dunwiddie, St. Matthew's Church (kiddie corner from TJ middle school). If relocated to this church, (which he estimated had 10-12 sq ft of space) John S. wondered if space could then be rented/leased to Park/Rec. Mary Fran L. wondered if the current child care facility there would be a continuing possible renter. Other manufacturing buildings were discounted, also collaboration with Saukville, and Harbor House owners have plans.

Lastly, the dates/details for a possible bus tour were finalized. It will likely be Monday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> and DeForest and Fitchburg were mentioned. Closer facilities could be accessed on our own.

Catherine and Irene will work on a press release/flyer.

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*Respectively submitted by Irene Taylor*