Commission on Aging – Minutes for May 22, 2018

Present: Libby Dawson, Lauren Cowan, Arlene Flower, Gail Londergan, Phil Stafford, Jack Kahn, Sue Owens (staff liaison)

- 1. Call to order
  - a. Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Phil Stafford, who agreed to take minutes
  - b. April minutes approved with the following corrections:
    - ... In addition to Gail, Libby and Phil will analyze data
- 2. Announcements
  - a. An expression of appreciation was extended to Amy O'Brien, whose job change has required her departure from the commission. There are current applications available for review.
  - b. Lauren reported on the activity at the COA booth at Expo 55+. She distributed buttons.
- 3. Liaison report
  - a. Sue asked for comments on a revised display board. It was suggested the project language be made a bit more general. Lauren, Gail and Phil volunteered to assist with revisions.
- 4. Old Business
  - a. UDO Phil reported on meetings held by the City's UDO consultants and advised people to be involved with meetings and responses to the upcoming report.
  - Affordable Living the committee needs a replacement for Amy. Lauren encouraged involvement of the Area 10 Agency on Aging and will contact the Mayor with that advice
  - c. Data Gail provided a categorized chart of numbers of responses to the question "What is the one thing you like least about the city of Bloomington?", for 460 random and online responses, ordered by descending frequency, not including categories with fewer than 5 responses. She suggested a next step should involve establishing priorities and strategies for action around expressed concerns.
  - d. Lifetime Community Task Force no report, though it was suggested we develop a standard presentation on the subject of Lifetime Communities, and identify one-on-one relationships with other groups. Some examples were offered: youth groups, Affordable Living Task Force, Council on Community

Accessibility, Active Aging and Active Living Coalitions, Area 10, and others. Phil mentioned an interest by Bloom Magazine in the topic. The committee will take this up. Phil is hoping to be appointed to the Hospital Site committee by Vi Simpson and he will contact Denise for a letter of recommendation.

 e. Creative Aging Initiative – the committee discussed plans and ideas for a film festival on creative aging, perhaps in partnership with Gadabout Film festival. It was suggested Robert Soto might again be involved. This could occur at IU Cinema in October.

Kahn moved and Cowan seconded the adjournment of the meeting at 5:53 pm.

Respectfully,

Phil Stafford