

MINUTES
SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
February 14, 2012
4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Attendance: Councillor Colin Campbell, Councillor Alan Ho, Angela Morris, Susan Leppington, Sandra Donin, Yash Kapur, Manickampillai Velauthapillai, Katy Kwan, Gail Leet, Jaswant Dhanjal, Warren Carroll, Ramma Chabra, Dr. Jeyasakthy Thayaparan, Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

Staff: Marsha Mariani, Recreation Coordinator, Program & Outreach and Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator.

Regrets: Dennis Flaherty, Director of Communications and Community Relations

Item	Discussion	Action Item
1. CALL TO ORDER	The Seniors Advisory Committee convened at 4:05 p.m. with Angela Morris presiding as Chair. The Chair wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.	
2. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 10, 2012 SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING	Moved by Warren Carroll Seconded by Yash Kapur That the minutes of the January 10, 2012 Senior's Advisory Committee be approved. CARRIED	
3. CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA	<u>Armada Community Centre</u> Manickampillai Velauthapillai thanked everyone involved in featuring the Armadale Community Centre senior's drop in program in the latest Markham Life magazine. Moved by Manickampillai Velauthapillai Seconded by Jaswant Dhanjal That the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED.	
4. CELEBRATE MARKHAM GRANT	The Chair advised that she has been in contact with the Town's finance department and has downloaded the application form for the Celebrate Markham Grant. She also advised that she will fill out the application requesting a grant in the amount of	

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	\$5000.00 on behalf of this Committee. There was discussion regarding what the grant money should be used for if the grant application is approved. The following suggestions were discussed: • Open House for Seniors • Publish a booklet/brochure that outlines all services available for Seniors at all levels of government (Federal, Provincial and Municipal) and distribute them in libraries, community centres, etc. • Road tour to the Brampton Senior Centre • Enhance and expand the Markham Life Senior Section and design the page so that it can be reprinted as a brochure in the future if required • Use some of the funds for the Senior's Extravaganza There was discussion regarding the deadlines for the Markham Life magazine and the type of information that would be included. Marsha Mariani advised that she will e-mail the deadline for the fall issue. The Committee agreed that additional pages in the Markham Life magazine would be the best option at this time. It was noted that the Communication Subcommittee members would set up a meeting with Dennis Flaherty to discuss the details of the proposed additional pages in the Markham Life magazine. Moved by Susan Leppington Seconded by Dr. Jeyasakathy Thayaparan That the Senior Advisory Committee work with the Town of Markham Corporate	Marsha Mariani to provide magazine deadlines. Communication Subcommittee members set up a meeting with Dennis Flaherty.

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	Communications Department to include additional pages that will increase the reference to senior services in the Markham Life magazine. CARRIED	
5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES	<u>Mary Creighton, Director Recreation</u> The Chair advised that Mary Creighton, Director Recreation will do a presentation regarding the East Markham Community Centre to the Senior Advisory Committee in April 2012. Councillor Colin Campbell advised that the East Markham Community Centre is behind schedule and as a result programs will not begin until January 2013. It was suggested that the Senior Advisory Committee members be given a tour of the facility in December 2012. <u>Donated Computers at Senior Centres</u> The Chair advised that the donated computers will be going to the various Community Centres and will be located in areas that can accommodate them. <u>Celebrate Markham Grant received in the last two years</u> There was discussion regarding whether the funds received in the last two years does get carried over. The next meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee will be held on March 13, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Canada Room. The Seniors Advisory Committee adjourned at 5:20 p.m.	Confirm the number of computers going to each of the Community Centres.
6. NEW BUSINESS		
7. Next Meeting		
8. Adjournment		