

Laurie A. Roth

From: Martha Johnson
Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2026 4:19 PM
To: Laurie A. Roth
Subject: Senior minutes 2-6-26

Call to order at 1:04pm

- > Salute to the Flag
- > Compliance Statement Read
- > Roll Call:
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- > Senior Committee Members;
- > Martha Johnson - Present
- > Betty Elder - Present
- > Paulette Buszko - Present
- > Kathy Siegel - Absent
- > Rev. Crystal E. James - Absent
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- > Non-Members:
- > Rosemary Albach
- > Steve Satran
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- > Approval of Minutes:
- > There needs to be the following amended
- > items added to the January 9th minutes.
- > (1) Amount of money in the Senior Trust Fund
- > Martha Johnson will provide.
- > (2) Under New Member: It has been decided
- > not to charge dues for membership to non-residents wishing to become members.
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- > Public Comments: None
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- > Old Business:
- > Kathy Siegel contacted Kelly Owens
- > regarding the Christmas Tree Decoration craft.
- > Kelly stated that she already planned to do this craft with another shop owner. She also stated
- > that the materials involved were very pricey.
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- > New Business & Upcoming Events:
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- > These events can all be added to Crystal James'
- > Calendar of Events which needs to go out with
- > the Sewer Bill mailing next week.
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- > February 27th:

- > Crimes Against the Retired & Elderly:
- > Betty Elder will distribute event flyers to the Library, Pharmacies, Borough Hall Lobby, etc.
- > This will target Allentown Seniors in the hope of participation. Going forward, all events will follow suit. Rosemary Albach & Barbara Schuman will provide cookies to the event; Betty water.
- > Btw, Betty contacted TAVI about the event & they
- > included it in their newsletter. All our events need to be sent to TAVI for their newsletter.
- > Note: 31 are signed up so far.
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- > March 13th:
- > St. Patrick's Day:
- > Kathy - Irish Soda Bread & Butter
- > Crystal - Cookies
- > Martha - Ginger Ale & Water
- > Betty - Decorations
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- > April 10th:
- > TBD
- > Allentown Senior Walk in Heritage Park or Jazz
- > Dancing (Martha will contact Norma Barber, who had expressed interest in teaching jazz dancing.
- > Need a coordinator & flyer.
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- > April 25th:
- > 250 Event - Spring Stroll - Allentown Senior Committee Participation
- > (See New Business Below)
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- > May 8th - 1:30pm:
- > Design your own cards; a craft led by Rosemary Albach's daughter. Donation of money/canned goods to cover the cost of materials.
- > Rosemary will work on flyer.
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- > May 22nd:
- > Roebing Tour. Betty will contact docent & get information for a flyer. There is a \$12 charge. We will be carpooling. Time: TBD.
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- > June:
- > Lunch & Learn. Steve coordinating with the County's Volunteer Categivers. Nikki Darling to speak about Fall Prevention. Date: TBD
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- > July & August: Summer Vacation!
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- > September 11th:
- > Senior Planning Meeting.
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- > October 23rd:
- > Senior Walk in Heritage Park - 10:30am
- > Bent Iron Brewery - 3:00pm Bring snacks to share
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- > November 6th:

- > Allentown Senior Planning Meeting
- > No Events Scheduled
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- > December 11th - 1pm
- > Holiday Party
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- > New Business:
- > 250 Birthday Celebration
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- > Mayor Fritts, Council President John Elder & Betty Elder attended the 250 Meeting in Freehold. Many towns in Monmouth County were represented. At least 8 towns shared their events & plans to commentate the year-long celebration. The County also has so many upcoming events
- > this year to mark our Country's 250 anniversary. We have a 250 Committee here in Allentown.
- > And our Senior Committee has been asked to participate.
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- > After some discussion, the Allentown Senior Committee will man a Borough Booth at the annual Spring Stroll on Saturday, April 25th.
- > Betty will contact the County 250 Committee for availability & cost of 250 merchandise.
- > Betty will contact Jack West, Spring Stroll Coordinator, for cost of spot at event. Martha mentioned she had a canopy.
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- > Next Planning Meeting Date: March 6th.
- > Meeting Adjourned: 2:20pm
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