

Senior Citizen Commission Minutes

Senior Center 15801 Michigan Ave. Dearborn, MI 48126

Meeting held in Front Board Room

Date: February 23, 2026

Meeting Called to Order

- ❖ **Called to order: 1 pm by Mary Nameth**

Roll Call

- ❖ **Present:**
- ❖ **Mary Nameth - Chairperson**
- ❖ **Lupe Matta – Assistant Chairperson**
- ❖ **Cecilia Pilon - Secretary**
- ❖ **Lucia Gliese – Senior Commissioner**
- ❖ **Alice Argnian – Senior Commissioner**
- ❖ **Jan Schulz – Senior Commissioner**
- ❖ **Denise Kawucha – Senior Commissioner**
- ❖ **Belinda Hampton – Senior Commissioner**
- ❖ **Donna Bechtel – Senior Supervisor**

- ❖ **Others:**
- ❖ **Marie Crafts – Resident**
- ❖ **Ken Paris – City Council**
- ❖ **Lila Kadaj – Resident**
- ❖ **Thomas Baj – Resident**
- ❖ **Dawn Burek – Guest Speaker from Dearborn Assessing**
- ❖ **Jacob Thurston – Guest Speaker from Dearborn Assessing**

- ❖ **Absent: Anna Mastroianni**

- ❖ **Agenda**
- ❖ **Motion to accept by: Lucia Gliese**
- ❖ **Seconded by: Mary Nameth**
- ❖ **Motion carried**

Minutes

- ❖ **There were no minutes for January as meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.**

Transportation:

625 Clients Seniors 306 plus 319 Handicapped, 15 days of operation. Less days due to holidays and 4 snow days.

Phone Reassurance

- ❖ **6 Clients called Monday thru Friday unless otherwise requested**

Meals on Wheels

- ❖ Average 130 Clients per week (no delivery on Fridays – frozen meal provided on Thursdays. Meals Wheels is closed when Dearborn Schools are closed due to poor weather conditions.

Liquid Nutrition

- ❖ 22 clients in January and 25 clients in February.

Food Distribution

- ❖ 65 Clients 127 people in household in January, 73 Clients 157 people in household in February.

Senior Services Information and Activities

- ❖ Flyers in Senior Office

Travel

- ❖ Debra Smith our Travel Coordinator died on January 16, 2026.
- ❖ Rahme Al-Mehdi has been doing travel as well as her other jobs.
- ❖ New Flyers in Senior Office for various trips
- ❖ Travel Club Meeting held February 19, 2026. 50 members were there.

Hope and Healing

- ❖ 10 Clients February 5.

New Business

Guest Speakers Jacob Thurston and Dawn Burek, Dearborn City Assessors spoke at our meeting. They advised that important Assessment Letters are going to be mailed in March which show changes in values of properties. It is important to read the text on the Assessment Letters. They explained the right to appeal if you feel the assessment on your property is not correct. There is going to be a 2.7% increase in taxes. If you are not happy with your appeal rights then you have the right to appeal to the Michigan Tax Board.

Old Business

Lunch in the Senior Center? Perhaps some International Lunches.

Computer Rooms at Senior Center? Silvio Davis to advise.

Numbers for Snow Removal and have the students been shoveling?

Senior Sign on Building – sign is now on building which reads Senior Servies.

Communications

- ❖ Monthly Activity Calendars in Senior Office

Adjournment

- ❖ Motion to adjourn at: 2:40pm by Lucia Gliese
- ❖ Seconded by: Mary Nameth
- ❖ Motion carried

Respectfully submitted:

Cecilia Pilon