Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) Minutes Monday, September 30, 2013

Present: Phyllis Budin, Brenda Cooley, Bunny Fitzgerald, Karen Haseley (City Liaison), Henry Haslinger, Ginny Jones (Chair), Oyinkansola Odebo, Silke Pope (Council Liaison), Betty Timer, Paula Williams (Chair Elect), David West

Not in Attendance: Edward Hickey, Frank Pearlman

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chair Ginny Jones. The agenda was approved (moved by: Bunny Fitzgerald, seconded by Brenda Cooley). The minutes of the August 19 meeting were approved as distributed (moved by: Henry Haslinger, seconded by Brenda Cooley).

Silke Pope, Council liaison, addressed the committee regarding her attendance at our meetings. "She has a very busy life." Since she cannot attend the meetings she would like the Chair of this committee to email her any questions/issues that are Council concerns.

If we were to change our meeting date to better fit her schedule, Tuesdays and Thursdays would be better with an earlier meeting time. However, 6:00 is her standard dinner hour.

Ginny asked her about the last request this Committee made to City Council regarding the need for signage for the Police Department. She said while the Public Safety Committee agreed with our request, the Council held firm about their restriction on additional signage in the City. She was unaware that no one had responded to us about this decision.

OLD BUSINESS:

September 2013 Open Forum: There were 43 people in attendance. A tally of the resident locations indicated that 58% of them did not come from "Old Greenbelt" but from many other city locations.

While the topics and Good news items were extensive and varied, the Committee decided to send to the council, three action items for their review and response. No work session will be required.

Widowed Persons update: The next sessions of the Widowed Persons group is at the Greenbelt Community Center beginning on Thursday, October 3.

FORA/GAIL: *Brain Fitness* sponsored by GAIL has 28 people registered. The Home Nursing program has begun. The 2013 <u>Health Fair</u> is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>October 22 from 10:00-2:00</u>.

NEW BUSINESS: The Active Aging week this year was a huge success with many new attendees and programs.

Nominations for officers are: Brenda Cooley for Chair- elect and Henry Haslinger for Secretary.

Announcements: *Brain Challenge* sponsored by the Recreation Department will meet concurrently with *Brain Fitness*. Dates are to be determined.

Next Meeting -October 28, 2013 at 7:30 pm.

There was a motion to adjourn (moved by Phyllis Budin and seconded by Henry Haslinger).

Respectfully Submitted,

Betty