

Minutes of a Meeting of the Seniors' Advisory Committee held in the Community Services Boardroom and remotely via Zoom, on the above date at 6:30 p.m.

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**Present**

Councillor Hughes  
S. Brown - Chair  
S. Clemens  
G. Ewert  
C. Ferstay  
S. Friedenthal  
L. Jack – Vice Chair  
A. Urbina

**Staff**

T. Boonstra, Staff Liaison  
R. McDonald, Legislative Officer  
D. Hettle, Legislative Officer

**Guest**

G. Magyar, Legislative Services

**Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and welcomed committee members, guests and staff in attendance.

**Land Acknowledgement**

T. Boonstra read the Treaty Acknowledgement statement.

**Adoption of the Agenda**

The Chair declared the March 19, 2025, agenda, adopted as presented.

**Adoption of Minutes**

The Chair declared the minutes of January 15, 2025, adopted as presented.

**Mock Election - Ballot Count - G. Magyar**

G. Magyar provided a presentation on Mock Election and Ballot Count. Looking for volunteers for mock sort and count and ballot counting starting April 16, 2025 @ 8am. If interested in volunteering, please email [election@stalbert.ca](mailto:election@stalbert.ca) to register. Legislative Services will also be requiring 200 election workers for the Municipal Election. More information on Election Worker positions will be available on the City website in the coming weeks.  
<https://stalbert.ca/cosa/elections-census/election/>

### **Members Feedback on Term Start and End Dates**

R. McDonald led a discussion with the committee on changing members Term start and end dates for the SAC Civic Annual Intake, potentially changing from January to December, to September to August.

Discussion between committee members took place on the option of changing term dates and how it would affect the committee.

The committee determined start and end dates to remain the same, keeping member terms to January to December.

### **Seniors and Elders Service Awards - T. Boonstra**

#### Nominee Appraisal

Moved by S. Friedenthal

That the Senior's Advisory Committee move in camera to discuss a matter pursuant to Section 24(1)(a) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee went in camera at 7:00 p.m.

Moved by S. Friedenthal

That the Committee reconvene in Public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee reconvened in public at 7:55 p.m.

Moved by G. Ewert

That the details of the in camera discussion remain confidential.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by S. Clemens

The confidential recommendations of the Senior's Advisory Committee resulting from the confidential discussion surrounding the Senior's and Elders Service Awards, be forwarded to Council for their consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### Award Recognition

T. Boonstra provided an update to the committee on proposed recognition activities for Senior's week. The date is set for June 6, 2025, for the Senior Centre Awards Dinner.

## **Update from St. Albert Housing Coalition - S. Friedenthal**

### Senior's Housing Presentation Learning's

S. Friedenthal provided an update from the St. Albert Housing Coalition to the committee for their information. The next meeting will be March 20, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Albert Food Bank.

## **Update from Older Adult Working Group - L. Jack**

L. Jack provided an update from Feb 27, 2025, meeting on Senior's housing. Information was invaluable and beneficial for the Senior's organization.

L. Jack will be presenting at the next meeting, held in the St. Albert Public Library March 20, 2025 @ 1pm on Enriching Your Brain.

## **Council Update - Councillor Hughes**

Councillor Hughes updated the committee on recent council meetings.

A. Urbina left the meeting at 8:23 pm

## **Staff Liaison Update - T. Boonstra**

T. Boonstra provided an update to the committee (via emailed document) of which included Senior's Week, the Intergenerational Quilt to Combat Ageism project and the opportunity to participate in an Aging Rights are Human Rights survey.

## **Next Meeting Date**

October 15, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m. Community Services Boardroom

## **Adjournment**

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

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CHAIR

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DESIGNATED OFFICER