City of Marshfield Committee on Aging
Senior Community Center
Meeting Minutes – March 1, 2012

The monthly meeting of the Committee on Aging was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chair Mike Feirer.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Feirer, Becky Huebner-Leu, Jean Doty, Marvin Spletter, and Patty Ruder

EXCUSED: Gerri Steinwagner

OTHERS: Judy Carlson, Connie Jacobson, Jennifer Cummings, Kelly Cassidy, Alderperson Tom Buttke, Carl Scott, Lori Belongia, Steve Barg and nine users of the senior center

MINUTES: Motion made by Spletter and seconded by Doty to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2012. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: NONE

IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM SENIORS FOT THE LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER PROJECT: Lori Belongia gave an intro to the project for the Library/Community Center and passed around pictures that were taken at the Deforest and Lowell Center on their visits.

- Community Center Area things that it could host: Non-profit Area for Human Services Office Area, ADRC meal site, meeting space for 3-50 people, smaller areas for 6 people to meet.
- Comment: The population of Marshfield is aging currently 24% of the Wood County population is over 65 years of age. Has there been a needs study done? Who will the new facility serve? There should be space for outdoor activities. Is this the site for a senior center?
- Comment: The current building is not set-up to hold several different uses the sound is very bad.

Motion by Doty and seconded by Spletter for a committee to be formed of Carl Scott, Lori Belongia, Mike Feirer, Becky Huebner-Leu, Jean Doty, Patty Ruder, Kelly Cassidy and Kathy Dieck and perform a needs assessment for a community center to be done in the next 90 days. Motion CARRIED

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF CENTRAL WISCONSIN UPDATE: Jennifer Cummings reported that the Resource Directory for 2012 is available in the community. They have been working with the health care facility to set up meeting with hospital discharge staff to make them aware of the programs that the ADRC has available. ADRC will be holding a volunteer event in Wisconsin Rapids on May 22nd.

Connie Jacobson reported that she will continue on as the DAV transportation coordinator for now. The rural shopping route has been changed to the 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, the cost is $5.00/person pick up at 8:00 a.m. and return at Noon. AARP will be holding a safe driving class in Wisconsin Rapids and Marshfield in April.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

FUTURE MEETING DATE:
The April 5th meeting will be held at City Hall Room 108, 630 S. Central Ave. at 9:30 a.m.
The May 3rd meeting will be held at the Wildwood Regency Apartments, 1624 S. Roddis Ave. at 9:30 a.m.

Motion to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. made by Ruder and seconded by Spletter. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Cassidy
(for Amy Krogman who was excused)