

**Commission on Aging Minutes**  
**9/8/2017**  
**3 p.m. to 5 p.m.**  
**Pikes Peak Room 107 N. Nevada Avenue, 80909**

**In Attendance:**

Julie Stone- CSFD, Catherine Duarte- Planning, Angie Vehlwald- BBB, Claire Anderson, Sara Poe, Connie Johnson, Marie Meintz, Rita Fitzpatrick, Janet Lockhart, Bob Kirkpatrick, Aubrey Day, Cleather Marchmann, Nathaniel Gilmore, Sabrina Cotta, CJ Moore, Lori Orwig, Carrie Schillinger

**Welcome & Introductions**

- Roundtable introductions to each other
- No public present
- Review of Commission on Aging authority and determination to hold future meetings at the Sustainacenter 704 E. Boulder St. the first Wednesday of every month at 3p.m.
- Commission member discussion to determine who to nominate for Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary.
- Unanimous vote for Claire Anderson to be Secretary
- Unanimous vote for Bob Kirkpatrick to be Vice Chair
- Two nominations for Chair- Janet Lockhart and Aubrey Day- asked to leave room for Commission to discuss and vote
- 4 votes for Janet Lockhart, 6 votes for Aubrey Day. Aubrey Day declared Chair.

**Presentations:**

*Angie Vehlwald from the BBB.* Challenged the Commission to consider how to keep seniors involved, safe, and employed in our community. Recommended reading the Pikes Peak Area on Aging report. Currently go on air to discuss, market through blue book, posters to senior living. BBB needs seniors to start recognizing the BBB logo. Age Friendly began in January, have had to tell some business they could not be certified if not following the Age Friendly standards. BBB website has a list on their website. Business contacts BBB to get certified. Listed in the senior blue book. BBB prints its own book. Lucy Crandal does the Blue Book for seniors locally.

*Juliet Stone, CSFD representative.* Sits on the elder abuse committee. Attend senior behavioral health committee. CSFD is the surveillance of seniors not aging well in place. First to see neglect, abuse, hoarding, lift assists, dementia, (have mobile mental health unit), big demographic that do not have private pay ability. 40% of calls fall into low acuity category. We need a better way to deal with that. Assigned to community public health division. Goal is to work self out of job because we have better resources in the city. Amazing what can do on collaboration. Interested in helping foster public private

partnerships. The number of aging population can be a burden unless we create the appropriate networks and partnerships to address issues. 70000 calls for service last year. Staffing levels at 2009 levels.

*Catherine Duarte- Community Development.* Shared the mission priorities, activities and past accomplishments of Community Development. Defined Community Development Block Grants, HOME Investment Partnerships Program and Emergency Solutions Grant. Public Input will be through September and October. Program year begins in April of 2018. Asked for input from Commission on how Community Development and these programs can help advance the Age Friendly Plan.

**Next Meeting:** October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2-17 3p.m. – 5p.m. at Sustainacenter 704 E Boulder, 80903