

## **West Ashley Senior Services Coordinating Committee (WASSCC)**

16 May 2012

Attendees: Aubry Alexander, Elizabeth Bernat, Terry Brown, Colleen Condon, Christine DeStephano, Jan Harman, Diane Hamilton, Dave Harris, Lauren Minors (for Lyudmila Sobchuk), Vic Rawl, Janet Schumacher, Linda Slater, and Tom Witman.

Location: The meeting took place at Sojourn Coffee House, followed by a tour of the Ashem Tract.

Aubry Alexander called the meeting to order and Colleen Condon chaired.

### **Virtual Senior Center/Social Network Technology**

A sub-committee consisting of Diane Hamilton, Jan Harman, Dave Harris and Colleen Condon met with the West Of (WA newspaper) to discuss the possibility of establishing a WA senior activities page/calendar for inclusion in each publication - this would provide a "consolidated senior activity/events" calendar that we have long discussed. West Of was very receptive and the following details were agreed upon:

- 1) Sponsors would be needed to pay for the senior's activities/calendar page and Colleen agreed to working on identifying initial investors. With the anticipated success of the activities page continued and additional sponsors/advertisers would naturally follow.
- 2) The activities calendar would initially take up one-half page, with advertisements/sponsorships filling the remainder of the page. The size and number of pages could expand with time and success.
- 3) The calendar would cover the period Wed. (publishing day) through Wed. The calendar could be accompanied by a "current events" section to highlight events in the calendar or events coming beyond the dates covered in the current calendar.

Related to published activities page was idea of establishing a complimentary Facebook page. To discuss and plan this further Christine DeStephano agreed to set up a meeting with Lisa Nichols, a technology expert from Charleston County. The meeting is tentatively set for Thursday, 24 May at the Public Services Building. Intending to attend are Elizabeth Bernat, Tom Witman, Colleen Condon, Diane Hamilton and Christine.

### **Site Selection**

No update on the on-going discussion between the City of Charleston and RSFHC.

**Tour of Ashem Tract:** Fantastic! Wonderful! A big thanks to Colleen for setting up the opportunity and a big thanks/round of applause for Tom O'Rourke our knowledgeable, enthusiastic and gracious guide.

### **Next Meeting**

There will be no meeting in June and July, but we will reconvene on 15 August. A reminder and location will be sent out in late July - early August. In the meantime updates of any activity/resolution regarding the site selection will be provided.