

Legislative Task Force on Aging

January 9th, 2024 10 AM – 12 PM

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January Meeting Minutes

Present

Chair Klevorn

Vice-Chair Morrison

Representative Zeleznikar

Senator Housley

Councilwoman Armstrong

Maureen Schneider

Jen Foley

Dr. Joe Gaugler

Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the Task Force meeting on 11/14/2023 were adopted by a voice vote.

Public Testimony

Task Force Administrator Andrew George gave a brief overview of housing-related comments that had been submitted to the online Task Force submission form. These comments were published and included in the record.

Presentation on Community Aging in Place, Advancing Better Living for Elders (CAPABLE)

Dr. Deborah Paone, Director of Evaluation and Implementation of CAPABLE, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, gave a presentation on the CAPABLE model.

Greater Minnesota and Olmsted County Housing Presentation

Olmsted County Housing Director David Dunn gave a presentation on housing for older adults in Greater Minnesota and Olmsted County.

Aging in Community Testimony

Director Kate Williams of the Denver Regional Transportation District provided testimony on the important components of healthy aging in community.

Universal Housing Design Presentation

Paul Reiland, of Johnson-Reiland Builders and Remodelers, discussed the importance of Universal Housing Design.

Ramsey County Housing and Healthy Aging Presentation

Julia Wolfe, of the Ramsey County Healthy Aging Initiative, gave a presentation on the role of housing in healthy aging and aging in community.

Minnesota Housing Finance Aging Presentation

John Patterson, Director of Planning, Research, and Evaluation at Minnesota Housing, gave a presentation on Minnesota Housing's data, work, and recommendations to the Task Force.

A clarification to Mr. Patterson's presentation to be included in the January minutes: The presentation included a recommendation to make the Governor's Council for Age-Friendly Minnesota a permanent entity. It was made known to the Chair that this recommendation came from Mr. Patterson's position as a current member of the Age-Friendly Council and is not the official position of Minnesota Housing.

There being no further business, the Task Force adjourned at 12:01 PM