



Village of Franklin Park
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Lisa Anthony called the November 5, 2015 Senior Commission meeting to order at 1:00pm.

Members Present: Mike Vallone, Ruth Schwab & Barb Collins. Guests present Alyce Byrne.

The minutes of the October 2015 meeting were reviewed by the members. Mike Vallone made a motion to accept the minutes and Ruth Schwab seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted as presented.

St. Vincent DePaul report by Mike Vallone. There has been an increase of people coming to the food pantry They are still handing out a large amount of food and money. They expect the donations during Thanksgiving to be generous. Both the food & money supply are good at this time. Mike also said that the Christmas Cheer Foundation is getting ready for Christmas. The foundation delivers Christmas dinner and a gift for the children to the homes of people in need. If you know of anyone who would benefit from the Cheer Foundation let Mike know.

Mike Vallone reported on The American Legion. The Legion has started the pancake breakfasts again. It not only includes pancakes but also eggs, sausage & bacon. The cost is \$6.00 per person. The Legion and the Village of Franklin Park will have Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11th at the Veterans Memorial.

Lisa reminded the Commission about the about Christmas at Hammill Square on December 3rd at the Gazebo. The blood drive is December 11th at the Franklin Park Community Center. She reminded them that the December meeting will be the Christmas party.

Alyce Byrne spoke to the Commission concerning the seniors in town. She would like to see the Commission do more to address the needs of our senior population. There many small things that can be done to make a senior's life easier. She suggested benches, or hand rails in stores, banks or any place where you have to wait in lines. Standing in lines is very difficult for some

seniors and this would help them still be independent. She also recommended that we put more information in the newsletter about things that concern the seniors.

The Senior Commission meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barb Collins".

Barb Collins