

# Senior Outreach Services Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

8:30 AM

McFarland Municipal Center

### 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Members Present: Lowell Prill, Jerry Adrian, Colleen McCormick, Barb Vanderwerff, Kathy Lyons, Ken Boyd

Members Absent: Diane Mikelbank

Staff Present: Katie Gletty-Syoen, Matt Schuencke (via zoom)

### 2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

- a. There is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Senior Outreach Services Committee. Members of the public who wish to address the Committee should fill out a public comment form and turn in into the meeting chairperson. Members of the public may speak during public appearances or during their selected agenda items as they designate on the public comment form. Please adhere to the 3 minute time limit. Additionally, you may send your public comments to [senior.outreach@mcfarland.wi.us](mailto:senior.outreach@mcfarland.wi.us) to be included as part of the meeting. There were no public appearances

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Motion to approve the minutes of January 21, 2026 Meeting. Motion approved.

### 4. BUSINESS

- a. Proclamation for Social Work Month in March.  
Shared the Proclamation for Social Work Month that was shared at the meeting of the Village Board on February 23, 2026. Discussed the important role that social workers have in the Senior Outreach Services Department and within other organizations within the community.
- b. Presentation on the development of Tri-shaw bike program, Cycling without Age.  
Presentation by Sharon Fankhauser and Mike Flaherty about their group's initiative to develop a Tri-shaw bike program to provide accessible bike rides to older adults and people with disabilities in McFarland. They shared a video and discussed the journey towards raising funds and support in order to purchase a tri-shaw bicycle. They discussed the need to secure non-profit status, procure insurance, storage and volunteer recruitment and coordination for "pilots" to

navigate the bikes. Discussed models in other communities that developed partnerships with the business community. The group is hoping to raise \$40,000.

c. *Presentation of Dane County Senior Center models, including Waunakee Senior Center and Middleton Senior Center.*

Reviewed elements of the programming and space at both the Middleton Senior Center and the Waunakee Senior Center. Discussed staffing, program offerings, and spaces to accommodate. Shared photos and discussed alignment with needs identified for evolving McFarland Senior Outreach Service's needs. Referenced documents available on the Village of McFarland website including the 2017 Facility Master Plan and the 2023 McFarland Municipal Campus Plan.

**5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE**

Next meeting will be scheduled Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 8:30am.

**6. Adjournment**

Colleen McCormick motioned to adjourn the meeting and Ken Boyd seconded motion.