

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
COMMISSION ON AGING
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2017
SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairperson Ann McLaughlin (arrived at 4:10pm), Vice Chairman Robert Atherton, Commission Members, Sue Greeno (by telephone), Allison Leue, Deborah McDonald, and Mary Jo Shafer and Senior Center Director Jo Ann Ewing

Not Present: Pat Dufour

Call to Order

Vice Chairman Atherton called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. in the Senior Center.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Leue, seconded by Ms. Shafer, to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2017 Regular Meeting. Voted (5-0)

Public Comment

Lynn Johnson commented on the Medicare Savings Program. She handed out information on the levels with the new budget. There are eligibility changes.

Correspondence

A photo of the Round Table meeting was in the Chronicle newspaper in Columbia

Senior Services Report

JoAnn Ewing gave a brief report on senior activities. She is working on assistance programs. Energy assistance seems to be fully funded. There was an issue with the funding for rental assistance programs. The legislators are working on correcting this. Commission members noted their concern about the cold weekend coming up and several people with no heat and asked if a shelter would be opened. Ms. Ewing noted she would contact Mr. Maniscalco.

Old Business

Round Table Meeting

The photo in the Chronicle was discussed earlier in the meeting.

Transportation Information for Doctor's Offices

Work is being done on the colors in the document.

Senior Discounts

The senior discount sheet has been updated.

Brochure

Copies of the brochure will be printed.

Survey

The commission will follow up with the new Town Council on action steps from the survey.

New Business

Approval of 2018 Meeting Dates

A motion was made by Ms. McDonald, seconded by Ms. Leue, to approve the 2018 meeting dates. Voted (6-0)

MAT Transit

Dial A Ride to Marlborough has reported there are 4 people using the service for a total of 10 trips per month. Dial A Ride indicated they can accommodate this service. Mr. Atherton will send a thank you letter to MAT.

Other Business

There will be a Welcome Home Yellow Ribbon Ceremony on November 19th at 1pm at the Yellow Ribbon Tree.

The VFW will hold a Thanksgiving dinner on Saturday, November 18th at 2pm. The American Legion dinner will be Sunday, November 19th at 1pm. It is free for seniors.

Ms. Leue volunteered to research the Local Option Tax Program in town.

There will be an opening on the Commission on Aging after December.

The agenda for the next meeting will be Discussion of Future Projects.

Housing Authority Report

The \$1.3million grant has not closed yet. There is no budget yet.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Leue, seconded by Ms. McDonald, to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois
Recording Clerk