

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
COMMISSION ON AGING
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2018
SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairman Robert Atherton, Vice Chairperson Sue Greeno (arrived at 4:05 p.m.), Commission members Bonnie Berkovich, Linda Brogan, Deborah McDonald and Mary Jo Shafer, and Senior Center Director JoAnn Ewing.

Call to Order

Chairman Atherton called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. at the Senior Center

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. McDonald, seconded by Ms. Shafer, to adopt the agenda as amended. Voted (5-0)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. McDonald, seconded by Ms. Berkovich, to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2018 Regular Meeting as written. Voted (5-0)

Public Comment

None

Senior Services Report

JoAnn Ewing provided an overview of the activities at the Senior Center. Energy assistance is ongoing, CHOICES is going well. Open enrollment is now closed. More CHOICES counselors are needed for next year. The Christmas Lunch at St. Clements was well attended.

Old Business

Update on Parliamentary Procedure/FOI Workshop

A handout from the workshop was provided to members.

Advocacy Group

Transportation was chosen as the first task. They will be meeting with Lisa Seymour from MAT Transit to discuss issues and review route maps.

Thriving in Place

Mr. Atherton noted there is a podcast regarding Thriving in Place. Linda Brogan, also a member of the Lions Club, said she would check on the date for the Health Fair and see about a space for the Commission. The members need to decide what to do for the Health Fair.

New Business

Discussion of January Meeting with CRT

CRT requested a meeting. Ms. Ewing noted there are issues with the price of meals for someone not in the plan could be \$13 each. They will discuss other issues as well.

New Member Status

Mr. Atherton noted there are two openings on the Commission. One has been filled by Council and the member will attend the January meeting. There is still one more interview to be done in January. Mr. Atherton noted he was going to talk to the Town Manager regarding the way interviews are conducted in that the board being filled has no say regarding the applicant.

Ms. Greeno has been reappointed and Ms. Shafer has decided not to be reappointed for another term.

Town Christmas Party

The Board of Education is hosting a Christmas party on Tuesday, December 28th from 2:30pm to 5:00pm.

Conflict with Round Table Date

The next Round Table date is scheduled for January 10th, the same day as the Commission on Aging meeting. Members agreed they can make it back in time for the meeting at 4:00pm

Housing Authority Report

The Housing Authority is applying for another grant.

Public Comment

Ann McLaughlin, 85 North Main Street, commented that the Advocacy group is doing a good job. She noted that interviews for board members has been the same for a long time. She also noted the price of \$13 for meals is ridiculous.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Greeno, seconded by Ms. Shafer, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Voted (6-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois
Recording Clerk