

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
COMMISSION ON AGING
REGULAR JULY 11, 2019
SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairperson Robert Atherton, Vice Chairperson Sue Greeno, Commission members Bonnie Berkovich and Deborah McDonald

Not Present: Mariann Mankowski and Eric Rosenberg

Call to Order

Chairperson Atherton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. McDonald, seconded by Ms. Greeno, to accept the agenda as written. Voted (4-0)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. McDonald, seconded by Ms. Berkovich, to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2019 Regular Meeting as written. Voted (4-0)

Public Comment

None

Senior Services Report

JoAnn Ewing provided an update on the Senior Center activities. There is a new part time van driver, so they are working on increasing the trip schedule. A new Activities Specialist has been hired. There has been an issue with the meals at the Center for the last two weeks since there is no café manager at this time. JoAnn is planning to be trained as a Qualified Food Officer. The commission members voiced their concerns about the issue. The center was cited by the Fire Marshal regarding the inside doors being held open.

Old Business

Update on Thriving in Place Events

Mr. Atherton is working on his event related to technology, possibly working with AARP and their tiny house with electronics. Part 2 of his seminar will be technology vocabulary. He will speak with the new Activities Specialist.

The first part of Ms. Berkovich's seminar went well. The 2nd session is scheduled for July 17th.

Dr. Rosenberg's seminar is tentatively scheduled for October 16th with 2 sessions that day. There may be a Medicare seminar in October or November

Update on Advocacy Group

Senator Norm Needleman is planning on attending the Advocacy Meeting on August 6th to discuss transportation.

New Business

Reminder for Round Table Meeting – July 18

The next Round Table Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 18th in Colchester. Ms. Greeno, Ms. Berkovich and Ms. Ewing will be attending.

Budget Update

The Commission reviewed their final budget from 2018-2019.

Housing Authority Report

No report

Public Comment

Ann McLaughlin, 85 North Main Street, is happy that the Round Table meetings are continuing. She feels the commission should have something in the Rivereast each week. The senior housing residents don't go to the Senior Center a lot and would like information sent to Housing for the residents to see. The commission should send a letter to the State regarding the food program. The Housing Authority Board needs a member that is also on the Commission on Aging.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Greeno, seconded by Ms. McDonald, to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 pm. Voted (4-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois
Recording Clerk