

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
COMMISSION ON AGING
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020
SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairperson Robert Atherton, Vice Chairman Sue Greeno, Commission members, Eric Rosenberg, Bonnie Berkovich and Senior Center Director JoAnn Ewing.

Not present: Mariann Mankowski

Call to Order

Chairperson Atherton called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda

Dr. Rosenberg requested Survey results comments be added to new business item. A motion was made by Dr. Rosenberg, seconded by Ms. Greeno to accept the agenda. Voted (4-0).

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. Rosenberg, seconded by Ms. Greeno, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Regular Meeting as written. Voted (4-0)

Public Comment

Introduction of Pat Hamel and Diana Resler. Ms. Hamel is interested in volunteering on the Board.

Senior Services Report

Jo Ann Ewing reported the services and events of the past month. Introduced the budget proposal including the need for additional staff. She reviewed the up-coming programs.

Advocacy Group Report

Advocacy Group has invited Town Manager to attend next meeting. Discussing the needs of the Older Adult population and how those needs should be considered in the budget process.

Old Business

Thriving In Place Seminar. Ms. Mankowski has been in touch with Jo Ann Ewing. The seminar will be offered on two days. Wednesday, February 19th at 3pm and Saturday, February 22nd at 11:00am. She is working up the publicity.

COA Roundtable is next Thursday, January 16th at East Haddam Senior Center. Jo Ann will call to confirm and contact our members. The following COA Roundtable is at the East Hampton Senior Center, April 16. Transportation is the topic.

New Business

Survey Results: Dr. Rosenberg reviewed the survey study the COA completed in 2017. 230 people returned the survey. 69% of response population was age 65 or older. Items to note:

- Housing-more one-level homes/apt/remodeling.
- Healthcare-need for more healthcare providers
- Transportation-needs for medical transport, to and from. Public transportation and Road Safety for Pedestrians: Discussion of how COA can facilitate or make an impact on these need areas.

Housing Authority Report

No report.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Berkovich, and second by Dr. Rosenberg to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 pm. Voted (4-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann H. Ewing
Senior Service Coordinator