

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON  
COMMISSION ON AGING  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2020  
SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairman Robert Atherton, Vice Chairperson Sue Greeno (arrived at 4:05pm), Commission members, Bonnie Berkovich, Pat Hamill, Mariann Mankowski and Eric Rosenberg and Senior Center Director JoAnn Ewing.

Call to Order

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

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Berkovich, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to adopt the agenda as presented. Voted (5-0).

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. Rosenberg, seconded by Ms. Mankowski, to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2020 Regular Meeting as written. Voted (5-0)

Welcome New Member

New member Pat Hamill was introduced to the group and she provided an overview of her background.

Public Comment

None

Senior Services Report

Jo Ann Ewing reported the services and events of the past month. Ms. Ewing met with the Town's new Director of Social Services. The interns from Social Services will be doing counseling at the Senior Center. CRT is providing meals two times per week. The members discussed CRT and the meals issue.

A motion was made by Mr. Atherton, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to establish a Senior Center Meals Plan Sub-Committee. Voted (6-0) Mr. Atherton, Dr. Rosenberg, Ms. Hamill and Ms. Mankowski will be members of the sub-committee.

Advocacy Group Report

Town Manager David Cox met with the Advocacy Group at their last meeting. He was very receptive to their ideas and it was a productive meeting. They will be looking at transportation, CRT/Meals and staffing at the Senior Center.

Old Business

Update on Thriving in Place Events

Ms. Mankowski will hold her seminar on social isolation, loneliness and connections on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Atherton's event on security and safety for homes will tentatively be held in May.

Review 2020-2021 Budget & Narrative

Mr. Atherton noted that the budget was submitted to the Finance Department for the same amount as last year, \$1200.00

New Business

Ideas for Long Term Plan/Strategic Plan Meeting

Meetings will be set up to discuss long term and strategic planning for the commission.

Budget Support from the Advocacy Group

It was recommended that the seniors write letters to the Board of Finance and Town Council and attend budget meetings to support the Senior Center.

Housing Authority Report

The Housing Authority is working on a new Small Cities Grant.

Public Comment

Joyce Biondi, Chairperson of the Advocacy Group, thought the meeting was very interesting and likes the topics discussed.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Greeno, second by Ms. Mankowski, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 pm. Voted (6-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois  
Recording Clerk