TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON COMMISSION ON AGING REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021 SENIOR CENTER & ZOOM

Minutes

Present: Chairperson Robert Atherton, Vice Chairperson Sue Greeno via Zoom (arrived at 4:30pm), Commission members, Bonnie Berkovich, Patricia Calderone, Mariann Mankowski via Zoom, Carol McLaughlin and Eric Rosenberg, Senior Center Director JoAnn Ewing and Town Council Liaison Alison Walck

Call to Order

Chairperson 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 moving Housing Authority Report and Approval of 2022 Meeting Dates to follow the Senior Services Report. Voted (6-0)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Berkovich, seconded by Ms. McLaughlin, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2021 as presented. Voted (5-0-1) Dr. Rosenberg abstained as he was not present at that meeting.

<u>Recognize Guests in Person and on Zoom</u> Members welcomed Town Council liaison Alison Walck.

Public Comment None

Senior Services Report

Jo Ann Ewing reported on the Senior Center programs. The Senior Center had a Thanksgiving dinner today for 50 people in the big room that went very well. For Christmas there will be three micro holiday parties for 30 people each at Po's Rice and Spice – December 6, 12 and 20. Energy assistance is ongoing. Medicare open enrollment is occurring. There was a flu clinic on October 8 and a Covid booster clinic coming up on November 29th at the Town Hall.

Housing Authority Report

Ms. Berkovich reported that the Housing Authority is still waiting on the grant funds from the State. The Rotary and VFW are having Thanksgiving dinners for seniors. Each resident at the housing complexes will receive a gift from the Housing Authority. They are working on energy assistance.

New Business

Approval of 2022 Meeting Dates

A motion was made by Ms. McLaughlin, seconded by Ms. Berkovich, to approve the 2022 Meeting Dates as presented. Voted (6-0) Old Business

<u>Survey</u>

<u>Review of the Conclusion of the Survey</u> <u>Introduction & Discussion of Survey Results</u> <u>Rollout Schedule to Town Agencies and the Public</u> <u>Develop Thank You List for Notes</u>

Dr. Rosenberg reported that 482 surveys were completed. He provided an overview of the Executive Summary, which will be included with the minutes filed in the Town Clerk's Office. Each member discussed what stood out most to them in the responses. Dr. Rosenberg will work with Town Manager Cox to determine when the Commission will present the findings to the Town Council. The Commission members also discussed thank you notes or certificates for all of those that assisted with the survey.

A motion was made by Dr. Rosenberg, seconded by Ms. Greeno, to write thank you notes/certificates using the following wording "The East Hampton Commission on Aging is immensely grateful for the efforts of the large number of volunteers, organizations and town employees who contributed to the success of the East Hampton Commission on Aging 2021 Survey of Older Adults' Needs". Voted (7-0)

Public Comment None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Berkovich, seconded by Ms. Greeno, to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 pm. Voted (7-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois Recording Clerk