TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON COMMISSION ON AGING REGULAR MEETING THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2018 SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairperson Ann McLaughlin, Vice Chairman Robert Atherton, Commission members Bonnie Berkovich, Sue Greeno, Mary Jo Shafer and Senior Center Director JoAnn Ewing.

Not Present: Deborah McDonald

Call to Order

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

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Atherton, seconded by Ms. Shafer, to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2018 Regular Meeting as written. Voted (5-0)

Public Comment

None

Senior Services Report

JoAnn Ewing reported that Donna Lindstrom, assistant at the Senior Center, retired. They are adjusting schedules to make up for this loss of help. She reviewed the activities from the prior month and noted there are some new volunteers. They have no driver at this time due to the budget not passing and the subsequent hiring freeze. Ms. Lindstrom is doing the driving for some trips that were already scheduled.

Old Business

Senior Discounts

The article is ready for the Rivereast. Brochures will be printed as they are mentioned in the article.

Advocacy Group

The Advocacy Group met on Tuesday, July 12th. Six people attended. They did a SWOT (Strengths Weaknesses Opportunities Threats) activity. Peaches Quinn from the State of CT Coalition on Aging, will attend their meeting in September.

Aging In Place

The members discussed several options for seminars. Tom from Spencer's Funeral Home said he will do a session on end of life planning. Home inspections for safety and home care were discussed as well as how to obtain and pay for home health services. There was discussion of how to kick off the program and when to hold the program. For the next meeting, members will bring their recommendations for the program.

New Business

Events Magazine

Mr. Atherton and Ms. Greeno will work on an article for the Events magazine.

Mr. Atherton suggested adding an item regarding Cooling Centers on the August agenda.

Housing Authority Report

No new information to report.

Public Comment

None

<u>Adjournment</u>

A motion was made by Mr. Atherton, seconded by Ms. Shafer, to adjourn the meeting at 5:07 pm. Voted (5-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois Recording Secretary