

Town of East Hampton
Commission on Aging
Workshop
Thursday, April 26, 2018
East Hampton Senior Center
4:00PM
Meeting Minutes

Present: Robert Atherton, Ann Mc Laughlin, Bonnie Berkovich, Jo Ann Ewing

Meeting opened at 4:00pm,

Reviewed the first advocacy meeting, determined the group needs more information about what advocacy is for in order to learn how to advocate for issues. The next meeting we will spend the first half hour defining advocacy and what role each participant may want to do.

The Group needs to look at the frequency of meeting. Jo Ann's recommendation was to meet more frequently, in order for the group to be ready to advocate for issues.

A speaker who is well versed in advocacy issues is needed to assist the members learn the best way to make an impact on when advocating on issues. IE: what are the benefits of calling vs. letter campaign. Who do you call and what should be said. Bob will check with AARP to see if there is someone available to speak about advocacy.

Bob gave a shortened version of the Medicare Savings Up-date. An explanation is necessary for all to understand the possible impact to Older Adults in our community, in order to be effective. He will report out on this at the May 8th meeting.

Jo Ann will produce an agenda and share with the COA members, to suggest additions if needed.

Meeting closed at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Ewing.