Absent: J. Garcia
Public & Invited: R. Hudson and Commission Clerk C. Bransel

Call to Order: Chair, J. Wey Called the Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of March 23, 2016:

"Commissioner J. McRoberts Moved to Approve the Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting of March 23, 2016 with Amendments to: Correct the attendees of the workshop to E. Hayes and S. McMahon and correct the Senior Center Report "Lorna Barrett ... assistance to the intern moving forward..."
Seconded by: E. Hayes
Vote: For: Unanimous

Senior Center Report:

Chair, J. Wey reported on behalf of Social Services, B. Trott. Mrs. Wey informed the Commission that Dr. Jovin will be offering a Communication and Advocacy workshop from 10am to 12 pm on May 20th (pending confirmation) it was suggested that CoA provides refreshments which may be a nice way to show the Commission’s support and presence. S. McMahon stated it would be nice to know these plans with a little more notice so that an article could be submitted to the newspaper alerting the Community of these events to promote attendance. A. Jellen recently conducted a talk about New York City which was very well attended. J. McRoberts suggested submitting the article to the Spectrum, which has a much larger reader base.

Old Business

"Do You Know" Workshop Report

Chair, J. Wey alerted the Commission there are two months left in the FY Budget. The intent of the Commission is to create and print the brochure with funds from this fiscal year and to send it out at the beginning of next fiscal year. The intent is to print 2000 copies, they will be mailed and available at the Selectman’s office and Senior Center. The Commission agreed to meet for a workshop to finalize the content of the brochure on April 29th at 1pm (pending confirmation).

New Business:

CoA email address:

Commissioner S. McMahon reported to the Commission that she has created an email address for the Commission to use in order to receive correspondence from the Public should be checked periodically during each month. Chair, J. Wey appointed S. McMahon to be in charge of checking the email and presenting correspondence at monthly meetings. The CoA email address is coashermanct@gmail.com.

State Commission on Aging elimination:

There has been talk that the State will be eliminating the CoA. The consensus of the Commission was to wait to see what happens with the Budget, reacting at this point may be premature.
Potential New Member Discussion:

Chair J. Wey mentioned there were previously there two potential new members interested in joining the Commission. At this time C. Faure has stated she would like to back off due to an injury. R. Hudson has sent a letter to the First Selectman requesting consideration to be appointed to the Commission on Aging. The letter was read into record at the last Selectman's Meeting. It was recommended that Mr. Hudson attend a CoA meeting to see the operations of the Commission and introduce himself. R. Hudson from the audience was invited to speak to the Commission. Mr. Hudson is a lived his entire life in CT and a resident of Sherman for 20 years. Mr. Hudson has coached Track and Field at New Fairfield high school for 20 years, and has worked in technology and electrical engineering and most recently with computers for over 15 years. The Commission discussed the charge and duties of this Board and reminded Mr. Hudson that there is no place for politics when serving on this Commission. Mr. Hudson was invited to attend the "Do You Know" workshop on April 29, at the Senior Center at 1:00pm.

Commissioner E. Hayes Moved to recommend to the Board of Selectman that Rick Hudson be appointed to the Commission on Aging, to serve a three year term.

**Seconded by:** S. McMahon  **Vote: For: 3, Abstain: 1 (A. Selten)**

Adjournment

Commissioner J. McRoberts Adjourned the Meeting at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Christine Branson, Commission Clerk.

May 11, 2016

*APPROVED AS FINAL AT THE MAY 16, 2016 RMM*