Call to Order: Chairman, J. Wey called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting of 26 June 2017 as written by R. Hudson

Seconded by: J. McRoberts

Vote for: unanimous

Senior Center/Social Services Report:

Beth Trott was unable to attend the meeting but sent an email to the Commission.

There is a website, "agewellcf" that Beth Trott and/or Suzette Berger will give more information on at the September meeting. They would like the Commission to consider using this online service. There is an $850.00 start-up fee and a $500.00 annual fee to update the webpage. The Commission will view the site to develop opinions prior to the September meeting.

Old Business:

The Senior Center van has been repaired.

Art Show Update:

S. Berger has waivers available at the Senior Center.

Work can be dropped off at the library between August 15th and August 18th during regular library hours. M. Loeb has both sets of waivers and will have artists sign both when they drop off their work at the library.

Set up for the Senior Art Show will be on August 19th between 10 AM and 4 PM. Help is needed by someone with experience in setting up art shows. John Jenner is a possibility. If he is unavailable the Commission will ask C. Cope.

A motion to hold the reception for the Senior Art Show on August 25th between 6 PM and 8 PM was brought by J. McRoberts.
Seconded by: S. McMahon

Vote for: Unanimous

The COA will set up the reception one hour before the event. There is a $100.00 budget for the reception. R. Hudson will check for the prices of cheese and cracker platters and fruit platters at the IGA. J. McRoberts and J. Wey will check their napkin and cup supplies to determine what must be, if any, purchased. Wine will be donated. R. Hudson can provide a cooler. M. Loeb has requested a narrative about the Art Show to display in the library. R. Hudson will create the narrative.

The library will advertise the Senior Art Show on the town website, in the Town Tribune and on the sandwich board in front of the library.

Art work will be listed in a book at the show. The work will be numbered and the book will list, by those numbers: the artist, the title of the piece, and a brief bio if the artist chooses to include one. R. Hudson will type up the program with this information.

There are currently 21 artists confirmed to participate in the art show with a variety of mediums. C. Fauvre offered to contact Mary Jane Magone about participating. Two local artists, Linda Hubbard and Sylvia Hierro, will be speaking at the Senior Center on August 16th and August 31st, respectively. They are both participants in the Senior Art Show. The Senior Center will provide transportation to the art show on 22 Aug. 2017 and J. Wey will be there that day to represent the COA and meet with the seniors.

New Business:

C. Fauvre spoke to the problem of the Senior Center being too small. She posed the possible solution as using part of the Sherman School. C. Fauvre presented data to support the declining enrollment at the Sherman School. The school population is down to almost one half with only 285 students enrolled for next September.

J. Wey questioned whether the JCC in Sherman could be used for the Senior Center.

The Senior Center is a function of the town so it may be possible to use the school. The discussion about how to best address the lack of space and parking at the Senior Center has been tabled until the September meeting.

Adjournment:

R. Hudson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM

J. McRoberts seconded the motion

Meeting was unanimously adjourned

The next meeting will be 18 September 2017 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Whitney

17 July 2017