
Members Absent: J. Garcia, and E. Hayes

Audience and Invited: D. Lowe, S. Berger and L. Arnold

Call to Order:

Chair, J. Wey Called the Meeting to Order at 4:10pm

Alternate P. Werme was Elevated to Voting Member status for the duration of this Meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

Regular Monthly Meeting of 19 Nov. 2018

J. McRoberts Moved to Approve the Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting November 19, 2018 as written.
Seconded by: A. Jellen  Vote: For: Unanimous

Old Business:

Senior Art Show:

Chair, J. Wey stated the dates that the library has offered for the Senior Art Show. July 18th through August 28th or August 29th through October 29th, 2019. Following discussion the Commission agreed on August 29th through October 29th, 2019.

J. McRoberts Moved to Approve the dates of the Annual Sherman Senior Art Show to be held on August 29th through October 29th, 2019.
Seconded by: P. Werme  Vote: For: Unanimous

Budget FY 2019-20:

P. Werme Moved to Approve the FY 2019-20 Commission on Aging Budget with no increase at $2,000.00.
Seconded by: J. McRoberts  Vote: For: Unanimous
Aging in America Speaker:

Chair, J. Wey reported the speakers for this event will cost $600.00. She met with First Selectman D. Lowe and the BoS agreed to fund a third of the cost. The Library has agreed to fund a third as well, leaving $200.00 to be funded by the Commission on Aging.

**J. McRoberts Moved** to Approve the expenditure of up to $200.00 to pay a third of the cost for speakers for the Aging in America event this April, 2019.

**Seconded by:** P. Werme  **Vote: For: Unanimous**

New Business:

Feasibility Study for the Senior Center:

Chair, J. Wey reported she met with First Selectman D. Lowe and the BoS has agreed to assemble an ad hoc Committee to conduct a feasibility study to determine the future needs and possible new site for a Senior Center. Janet Wey and Ed Hayes have volunteered from the CoA. First Selectman Lowe stated Kevin Keenan has expressed interest from the BoS. Suzette Berger, Senior Center Coordinator has volunteered. D. Lowe stated he has a few other people in mind as well.

Senior Center/Social Services Report:

Senior Center Coordinator, S. Berger reported a new intern shall begin next week, her name is Jackie Evancore. Jackie will be at the Senior Center Tuesdays and Thursdays for the next twelve weeks. Ms. Berger listed the coming month’s events which include a presentation given by J. Cillio on Women’s Suffrage taking place on 2/8/19 at 10:30 am. On Monday 2/11/19 beginning at 11:45 the Housing Commission shall come to meet with Seniors to begin the discussion on the future needs of Seniors in Sherman. On 2/19/19 beginning at 1:00 pm, the Library will hold a “Critters Program”. On 2/21/19 at the Senior Center, Julia’s Wings will be assembling bows. Ms. Berger stated there has been a steady increase this year on program attendance, specifically by male seniors. Ms. Berger stated she is hopeful the programming this year shall continue this trend.
Introduction of Linda Arnold, possible Alternate:

Chair, J. Wey introduced Linda Arnold from the audience. Ms. Arnold is a resident of Sherman since 2006. She is an Attorney in New Milford specifying in Estate Planning and Elder Law. She is interested in joining this Commission. Following a brief discussion, the Commission took the following action:

**J. McRoberts Moved** to Accept Linda Arnold as an Alternate member to the Commission on Aging and agreed to send a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for appointment.  
**Seconded by:** P. Werme   **Vote: For: Unanimous**

Comments by Commissioners: No comments were made.

Public Comment: No comments were made from the public.

Adjournment:  
**J. McRoberts Adjourned the Meeting at 4:45 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:

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Christine Branson (acting Clerk, in the absence of Clerk, L. Whitney)  
February 22, 2019