

SHERMAN COMMISSION ON AGING

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, 17 Sept. 2018, 6:00 PM

Mallory Town Hall

Members Present: Chairman, J.Wey, E. Hayes, S.McMahon, J.McRoberts, A.Jellen

Members Absent: R. Hudson, J. Garcia

Also: L. Whitney, clerk, S. Berger, B. Trott, P. Werme

Call to Order: Chairman, J.Wey called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting of 16 July 2018 as written by S. McMahon

Seconded by: J.Wey

Vote for: unanimous

Senior Center/Social Services Report:

S. Berger reported that the Senior Center Holiday Party is scheduled for 12 Dec. 2018 at Jim Barbarie's Restaurant at a cost of \$26.00 per person.

The Flu Clinic will be held on 3 Oct. 2018. Volunteers are needed. J.Wey, S.McMahon, A. Jellen and P. Werme volunteered to help run the clinic.

The pump for the well at the Senior Center has been replaced.

The JCC has been visited as a possible temporary new Senior Center. There will be a free "Lunch and Learn" on the topic of **Wills, Trusts and Probate** to be held at the JCC on 10 Oct. 2018 at 11:30 AM. This scheduled event will help determine the feasibility of using the JCC as a site for the Senior Center while a more permanent solution is pursued.

B.Trott reported that she will pick up the video, *Aging in America*, on 16 Oct. 2018 and would like to schedule a private showing for the COA, the Housing Commission and the First Selectman. A tentative date of 16 Oct. 2018 at 4:00PM was chosen. B.Trott will reach out to the Housing Commission and D.Lowe before confirming this show time to the COA. The video will be shown at the Senior Center.

B.Trott also notified the COA that L.Gomez has resigned as her assistant and now works with her as an intern. Peggy Kennedy has been hired as the new assistant social worker.

Old Business:

The new COA by-laws allow for 2 alternates on the commission. P.Werme submitted a letter to J.Wey expressing her interest in joining the COA as an alternate. After discussion, J.McRoberts made a motion to accept Pat Werme as an alternate. E. Hayes seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. J.Wey will present P.Werme as an alternate to the Board of Selectmen for appointment.

The Senior Concert was a great success and there has been a lot of positive feedback. A suggestion for next time was made to monitor the handicapped parking places to be sure they are available for the people who may need them.

New Business:

Transportation to the polls on Election Day was discussed. S.Berger volunteered to contact D.Lowe about using the Senior Center van. On Tuesday, 18 Sept. 2018, S.Berger sent out an email confirming that D.Lowe has authorized the use of the Senior Center van to transport seniors to the polls. S.McMahon reminded the COA that "curbside voting" is an available option in Sherman at the polls.

The discussion on the formation of an exploratory committee regarding overcrowding and unsafe conditions at the Senior Center has been postponed to the 15 Oct. 2018 meeting. This will allow the COA to evaluate how the Lunch and Learn goes at the JCC.

Adjournment:

E. Hayes moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 PM

J.McRoberts seconded the motion

Meeting was unanimously adjourned

The next meeting will be 15 Oct. 2018 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Whitney

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