

SHERMAN COMMISSION ON AGING

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, 21 May 2018, 6:00 PM

Mallory Town Hall

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

Members Absent: R. Hudson, J. McRoberts, J. Garcia

Also: L. Whitney, clerk, A. Burgasser

Call to Order: Chairman, J.Wey called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from 19 March 2018

Motion to Approve: S.McMahon Seconded: E. Hayes Vote: Unanimous

Minutes from 16 April 2018 with these changes: The title of the April luncheon, "A Life Less Ordinary" inserted and the paragraph regarding the 5/22 presentation of the "5 Wishes" program, change the last sentence to read, "The cost of the booklets are \$1.00, S.Berger has purchased 25 and wondered if the COA would like to contribute."

Motion to approve the amended minutes: E. Hayes Seconded: S.McMahon

Vote: Unanimous

Senior Center/Social Services Report:

J.Wey reported that the 5 Wishes Presentation scheduled for 5/22 has been rescheduled. The new date has yet to be determined.

S.McMahon reported that there were no requests for rides to the polls made to the Senior Center for the May 8th vote.

Old Business

There was discussion regarding the changes to the COA by-laws.

Motion to accept the new by-laws: A.Jellen Seconded: E.Hayes Vote: Unanimous

A copy of the new by-laws will be submitted to the First Selectman by the clerk.

There was a discussion including A. Burgasser about the Senior Concert scheduled for 19 August 2018.

The May/June and the July/August editions of the Senior Center flyer announce the Senior Concert.

A.Burgasser recommended looking into a rain venue. He suggested the barn at the library and will follow up by asking M.Loeb about using the library barn on 8/19 in the event of rain.

A.Burgasser feels that the set up for the show should take about an hour and a half. The pavilion at the beach is reserved from 3-8 PM. **It was determined that the show time will be from 4:30 - 7:00 PM.** He has about 7 possible participants and will be contacting more. S.McMahon will contact K.Retter to request an announcement looking for senior musicians be posted to the town website. Once the list of performers is finalized, A.Burgasser will create a program for the show. E. Hayes will contact J.Wrenn about confirming that the bathrooms at the pavilion will be open and cleaned and arranging to pick up the key for the pavilion control center. J.Wey will also reach out to M.Loeb about using the library barn in the event of rain on 8/19, she has already submitted the usage forms and submitted them to Park and Rec. All fees were waived for the COA. Flyers will be distributed and posted around town in July.

New Business:

In the future, any emails sent from B.Trott to the clerk will be forwarded to the COA by the clerk.

Temporary posts with reflectors have been installed in the parking area behind the Senior Center. Thank you to our Resident State Trooper for advocating for this important safety measure. B.Trott has applied for a grant to cover the costs of a more permanent solution with sturdier barriers.

On 6/8 at night and on 6/9 in the morning an 8 hour long course on Mental Health First Aid is being offered at the ESF. This course is federally funded with a grant.

An Exploratory Committee for the relocation of the Senior Center will be formed. J.Wey will be serving on this committee. She asks that the COA think about what the needs of the Senior Center are and bring them to be discussed at the next meeting.

Comments by Commissioners:

Adjournment:

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

S.McMahon seconded the motion

Meeting was unanimously adjourned

The next meeting will be 18 June 2018 at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Whitney

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