

SHERMAN COMMISSION ON AGING

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday, 19 Nov. 2018, 6:00 PM

Mallory Town Hall

Members Present: Chairman, J.Wey, E. Hayes, J.McRoberts, S. McMahon, R.Hudson,

Members Absent: J. Garcia, A. Jellen, P. Werme

Also: L. Whitney, clerk, B. Trott

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting of 15 Oct. 2018 as written by J.McRoberts

Seconded by: R. Hudson

Vote for: unanimous

Senior Center/Social Services Report:

B. Trott reported that S. Berger is interested in any updates on the formation of an exploratory search committee to solve the problems at the current Senior Center.

B.Trott is available to assist anyone interested in enrolling in Medicare- Part D. This is the prescription drug plan and the open enrollment ends on 7 Dec 2018.

Old Business:

There was another meeting held with the JCC. The Senior Center was investigating the possibility of using the JCC for larger events. The JCC seemed interested in being rented as the new Senior Center. The constraints involved with using the JCC as a Senior Center include, but are not limited to:

Parking

WiFi access

An office for S. Berger

Furniture already owned by the Senior Center

Rent

New Business:

There will be a Lunch and Learn hosted by the Senior Center at the Firehouse tomorrow. Pizza will be provided by the COA for the event.

The library has reached out to J.Wey asking if the COA would like to host another art show. As the last Senior Art Show was such a success, the COA has been given first choice of dates. Discussion followed and the COA unanimously decided to sponsor another Senior Art Show in August 2019.

On Dec. 13th there will be a 4 piece brass concert performed by the son of a new member at the Senior Center.

The library will be purchasing a copy of the documentary, Aging in America, which will be available to all to borrow. A. Blake is trying to book a guest speaker to accompany a public showing of the documentary and has asked if the COA could contribute to the cost of the guest speaker. A motion to contribute to the expense of a guest speaker was made by E.Hayes. Seconded by: R. Hudson. The vote was unanimous. Details will be shared with the COA when A.Blake books the speaker.

A discussion on how to proceed with the formation of an exploratory search committee was led by J. Wey. Each member contributed ideas. All agree that a committee must be formed and help must be solicited from the Board of Selectmen. Prior to the next meeting in Jan. each member will create an outline detailing the following topics:

R.Hudson and S.McMahon will get numbers indicating the population trend for Sherman seniors.

J.Wey will find out how many meetings and events currently take place at the Senior Center on a monthly basis.

J.McRoberts will outline impact statements.

All outlines will be shared through email with J.Wey.

E. Hayes will combine the individual information into a presentation for the Board of Selectmen.

The COA will compare and refine their progress in January and tentatively plan to meet with the BoS in February.

Adjournment:

R. Hudson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM

E. Hayes seconded the motion

Meeting was unanimously adjourned

The next meeting will be 28 Jan. 2019 at 4:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Whitney

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