

**EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT
COMMISSION ON AGING**

**MINUTES
DECEMBER 6, 2016**

A meeting was held at the Senior Community Center on December 6, 2016. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. In attendance: Chairman Richard Galluccio, and Vice Chair Lucia Ziobro; members Corrine Dickerson, Rose C. Egnat, Yvon P. Lemieux, Felice Mara, Marie Sandora, Barbara Skinner, and Mary Ellen Tressy; alternate Dolores Campbell; students Kylie Geer, and Rachel Griffin; Director of Senior Services Kelly Jacobs, and Director of Social Services Alicia Van Neil. There were no absences.

1. OPENING REMARKS

There were none.

2. MINUTES

There were no corrections offered concerning the minutes of the meeting held on November 1, 2016. Y Lemieux motioned and F Mara seconded accepting the minutes as written. L Ziobro abstained from voting because she had not attended the meeting. The remainder were all in favor and the motion passed.

3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE/COMING EVENTS

K Jacobs reported that the Senior Holiday Party on December 2, 2016 was well received, featuring a returning band performance, and a good time was had by all. In addition to the usual senior opportunities to do things, she said that the next few weeks will bring visits to a Gingerbread House Tour and the Springfield Wood Museum. There will be a lecture on Safe Banking for Seniors; and another hearing Clinic will be held January 12, 2017.

R Galluccio questioned whether the kitchen improvement estimates had been received and K Jacobs replied that Dave Wing had not yet contacted her to indicate that they had. A Van Neil stated that she would forward the name and number of the President of The Women's Club to K Jacobs so she could ask whether they would be open to funding all or part of the repair to the kitchen floor.

4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

The report by A Van Neil indicated that 60 Thanksgiving baskets were distributed and that 25 went to seniors. The Christmas Holiday Basket list is being created. So now is the time to let her know about anyone who would benefit from one.

The Energy Assistance Program is in full swing now that colder weather is upon us. Let anyone who is need know to contact her.

Through her CHOICES training, she has been counseling seniors about the Medicare Open Enrollment Plan, and is promoting the Medicare Savings Plan.

Granby has a counseling program for seniors called Healthy Minds and she has been encouraging people to utilize this during difficult personal times.

5. GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

R Galluccio hopes that First Selectman James Hayden will be able to offer some numbers regarding COA's desires for this program when he delivers his State of the Town at the COA January meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

According to A Van Neil, the Welcome Wagon brochure is complete except for the front cover. Jude Guerard in the Selectman's Office has been of great assistance in helping create the brochure. As soon as the front cover is completed, finished brochures will be sent to all COA persons.

R Galluccio provided a revised copy of the Senior Center Improvements List January 2017. F Mara motioned and M E Tressy seconded accepting the list as written. All were in favor and the motion passed. R Galluccio will present the list to J Hayden and he typically addresses it as part of his State of the Town.

7. NEW BUSINESS

The COA Officer slate for 2017 was R Galluccio as Chairman and L Ziobro as Vice Chair. All were in favor of the slate.

Three members and one alternate needed reappointment. Members M E Tressy and F Mara accepted reappointment. B Skinner declined siting that the three years she had served, while interesting and rewarding, was enough. As a result of this, alternate D Campbell accepted becoming a member instead of being reappointed as an alternate. R Galluccio will give the reappointment list to J Hayden who will present it to the Board of Selectmen for approval. After approval, the reappointees will be sworn in at the next meeting of the COA.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

B Marsele wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

9. COMMENTS FROM COA

General safe, healthy, and happy holiday sentiments were offered by all.

10. ADJOURN

C Dickerson motioned and L Ziobro seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara A. Marsele
Clerk

Senior Center Improvements List January 2017--Prepared by the Commission on Aging

SENIOR CENTER NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS LIST <i>(List will be updated each year)</i>	ESTIMATE	PLAN
1. Repave Parking Lot	25,000	2018-19
2. New Window Coverings	8,000	TBD
3. Renovate Kitchen, (Floor, Ceiling, Refinish Cabinets, Counter Tops)	15,000	2020-21
4. Replace 2006 bus	50,000	2018-19
5. Upgrade Air Conditioning/Heating system— temperatures and humidity are not easily controlled	35,000	2015-20
6. Floor surface replacement (carpet tiles continue to curl with change in temperatures)	TBD	TBD
7. Replace chairs & tables in Main Area	20,000	TBD
8. Gas Fire Boiler	12,000	2019-20
9. Roof Replacement	40,000	2018-19
10. External Facia Replacement	8,000	2019-20
Additional Vehicle for Senior Transportation (car)		Complete
Generator		Complete
Paint Community Center Interior/ repair pull down screen columns & facia/add filler & caulk separated seams		Complete
Replace Senior Center sidewalk including brick area - create handicap access ramp in front of building for drop-offs		Complete
Handicap access door and entry		Complete
SENIOR CENTER WISH LIST OF IMPROVEMENTS		
1. Enhancement of Travel Services (2nd Bus)	TBD	
2. Computers/Tablets for Senior classes and resources/3 computers	TBD	
3. Outside Storage unit	2,000	
4. Build Addition to Senior/Community Center	6,000	
Added handicap access to Bathrooms		Complete
Increased Social Services Director Hours to 20 hours per week/Add 2hrs/wk		Complete
Replace Sofas		Complete
New or refurbished chairs for large meeting table		Complete
Paint or replace rain-spouts		Complete
Increased Social Services Director Hours to 18 hours per week/Add 3 hrs/wk		Complete
Increased Senior Center Director Hours to 18 hours per week/Add 2 hrs/wk		Complete
Interior Storage		Complete
Film on Windows to reduce glare		Complete

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