

**EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT  
COMMISSION ON AGING**

**MINUTES  
OCTOBER 1, 2019**

A meeting was held at the Senior Community Center on October 1, 2019. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio, and Vice Chair Cheryl McCann; members Lucia Ziobro, Corrine Dickerson, Felice Mara, Marie Sandora, Cathy Delasco, and Jennifer DeCoteau; student Sean Griffin; Director of Senior Services Kelly Jacobs, and Director of Social Services Elise Cosker. Absent were member Judy Root; alternate Brian Cosker; and student Colby Betts.

1. OPENING REMARKS

R Galluccio stated that Jo-Ann Petrin has resign.  
He re-invited the Commission to join him at the Senior Club gatherings.

2. MINUTES

There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on September 3, 2019. C Delasko made a motion and J DeCoteau seconded accepting the minutes as written. L Ziobro and M Sandora abstained. The remainder were all were in favor and the motion passed.

3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE/COMING EVENTS

K Jacobs stated that most of the October trips are full. The informal meet and greet, Q&A with First Selectman James Hayden, "Java with Jim," was a success. It was attended by 13 people who participated in a robust informational conversation; and there will likely be another one scheduled in the future.

4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

E Cosker stated that the Renter's Rebate program has concluded.

5. GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM – no report

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Have Meetings with Regional COA's  
M Sandora and C McCann stated that the introductory letter to neighboring towns which was used last year will be rewritten and sent. J Root is expected to assist with this. Then follow-up correspondence will occur.

- b. East Granby Cares  
S Griffin stated that there are currently 10 people who have requested help. He does not have as many students signed up to participate as would be needed. However, he was confident that he would have enough for the event.
- c. Senior Celebration  
K Jacobs stated that the invitations were sent with an RSVP date of October 8, 2019. S Griffin stated that he will contact the High School Chorus to ask if they would perform. C Dickerson stated that she has a poem which touches on the significance of living a long life; and suggested that it could be given to each Senior Celebrant along with a rose as a commemoration of being honored at the event.
- d. Wellness Fair  
J DeCoteau and C McCann stated that there are 20 event spaces filled and only a few openings left. They comprise returning and new participants. There are flyers being posted at various locations as well as on social media.
- e. Discounts List Update  
L Ziobro submitted a revised Seniors Discounts List for the Commission to review.  
C Dickerson motioned and F Mara seconded accepting the Seniors Discounts List as written. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- f. Greenway Day  
C Delasko and F Mara stated that the event went well. The walkers enjoyed a beautiful weather day and, along the way, joined a Yoga in the Woods class being offered by the East Granby Land Trust on their land which borders the Greenway. Brownies and cookies were served to walkers and the event was considered successful.
- g. Improvements List  
R Galluccio submitted an updated Senior Center Improvements List for the Commission to review. There were several alterations and suggestions. He stated that he would make the changes and submit the final updated list for an approval vote at the next meeting.  
He also submitted a Commission On Aging Accomplishments List which will be a handout at the Wellness Fair.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

R Galluccio reviewed the 2020 Calendar handout. C Dickerson made a motion and C Delasko seconded accepting the 2020 Calendar as written. All were in favor and the motion passed.

## 8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – none

9. COMMENTS FROM COA

There were comments that the work already done, and currently continuing, on the initiatives was good and going well.

10. ADJOURN

C Delasko made a motion and C Dickerson seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara A. Marsele  
COA Clerk