

**EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT
COMMISSION ON AGING**

**MINUTES
DECEMBER 3, 2019**

A meeting was held at the Senior Community Center on December 3, 2019. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm. In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio; members Lucia Ziobro, Marie Sandora, and Cathy Delasco; alternate Roxanne Derlinga; students Sean Griffin and Colby Betts; Director of Senior Services Kelly Jacobs, and Director of Social Services Elise Cosker. Absent were Vice Chair Cheryl McCann; members Jennifer DeCoteau, Corrine Dickerson, Felice Mara, and Judy Root.

1. OPENING REMARKS

R Galluccio stated that F Mara, C Delasco, and R Derlinga have been reappointed. They will need to be sworn in for another term before the next meeting.

2. MINUTES

There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on November 5, 2019. C Delasco made a motion and R Derlinga seconded accepting the minutes as written. All were in favor and the motion passed.

3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE/COMING EVENTS

K Jacobs stated that Senior Moments newsletter has been mailed to households. It covers programs and events for December, January, and February. December trips are filled; and she expects around 40 people for the Senior Holiday Luncheon in December.

The kitchen renovation will begin 12/30/2019 and is expected to be completed by the end of January, 2020.

4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

E Cosker stated that her winter and holiday programs are in progress. There are 40 children whose families go to the food pantry. All of these children have been “adopted” by a townsperson or family who will be providing gifts for them.

As usual, the food pantry families and seniors will be given holiday food baskets as provided by Friend to Friend.

5. GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

R Galluccio gave a description of this program and how it works for television viewers. He requested that E Cosker provide the same in writing, along with a summary of East Granby Cares Day, for the Board of Selectmen as they will be attending the next meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Have Meetings with Regional COA's

M Sandora reminded the Commission that this initiative is to be revisited in 2020.

b. Senior Celebration

K Jacobs stated that she looked at the spring calendar of events in the time frame that the Commission wanted to have this event. The first date without conflict is Saturday, May 2, 2020. It was the consensus of the Commission to hold the event on that date. K Jacobs also stated that her investigation revealed that there are at least 132 seniors 85 and older by or during 2020 who would be eligible to receive an invitation.

c. 2020 Election of Officers

L Ziobro made a motion and C Delasco seconded electing R Galluccio as Chairman and C McCann as Vice Chair for 2020. R Galluccio abstained. The remainder were all in favor and the motion passed.

7. NEW BUSINESS

C Delasco brought in the requirements for the Aging Mastery Program offered by the CT Coalition on Aging. The requirements do not include an application for a grant. Only an application to offer the program for free to a certain number of seniors needs to be submitted for approval. R Galluccio stated that the Commission should have further discussions about this in 2020.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

9. COMMENTS FROM COA

C Delasco stated that she had just received her first Senior Moments and wanted to acknowledge how impressive she thought it is that there are so many programs and events being offered in Town.

There were general tidings for good holidays offered by all.

10. ADJOURN

C Delasco made a motion and L Ziobro seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara A. Marsele
COA Clerk