# EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT
## COMMISSION ON AGING

MINUTES
MARCH 3, 2020

A meeting was held at the Senior Community Center on March 3, 2020.  Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.  In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio, and Vice Chair Cheryl McCann; members Corrine Dickerson, Felice Mara, Marie Sandora, Cathy Delasco, and Judy Root; alternate Roxanne Derlinga; students Sean Griffin and Colby Betts; and Director of Senior Services Kelly Jacobs.  Absent were members Jennifer DeCoteau and Lucia Ziobro; and Director of Social Services Elise Cosker.

1.  OPENING REMARKS

    R Galluccio stated to the television audience that the COA has openings for two alternates; and is looking for volunteers, as well as those who need their assistance, for the Good Samaritan Program.  He urged that anyone interested contact either himself or K Jacobs.

2.  MINUTES

    There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on February 4, 2020.  F Mara made a motion and J Root seconded accepting the minutes as written.  All were in favor and the motion passed.

3.  SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE/COMING EVENTS

    K Jacobs stated that the spring Senior Moments newsletter is in homes now.  In addition to the usual busy program opportunities, there will be a trip to see a movie for the first time and it is full.  She also stated that she has received several calls from persons interested in information about the Senior Celebration.

4.  SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

    None

5.  GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

    None

6. OLD BUSINESS

   a. Have Meetings with Regional COA's – J Root, M Sandora, and C McCann stated that they held a meeting at which they formed a plan of action to pursue a regional meeting by written invitation to Simsbury, Granby, and Suffield, with the hope to reach out to other neighboring towns in the future. They passed out a sample invitation, as well as a written statement of purpose. It is their intention to schedule this meeting in East Granby on April 14, 2020.

   b. Senior Celebration – R Galluccio gave C Dickerson and R Derlinga the current list of potential senior invitees to this event as the three of them will be responsible for sending the invitations to their third of the list. Invitations will also be sent to the members of the Board of Selectmen and State Representative Tami Zawistowski. K Jacobs will be providing the invitations and envelopes, as well as a final edited list, for them to use. The invitations will be mailed at the end of March with an rsvp of April 15.

   c. COA 2020 Initiatives – volunteer Committees for each initiative:

      • Senior Wellness Fair – C McCann, J DeCoteau
      • Senior Celebration – R Galluccio, C Dickerson, R Derlinga
      • Have Meetings with Regional COA's – J Root, M Sandora, C McCann
      • Greenway Day – C Delasco, F Mara
      • East Granby Cares – S Griffin, C Betts, K Jacobs, E Cosker
      • Increase Participation in Good Samaritan Program – C Delasco, L Ziobro to create a survey to be inserted into the Senior Moments newsletter asking questions about why people do/do not participate
      • Update "Access to Durable Medical Equipment" – R Galluccio will work with a professional in this field to do this

7. NEW BUSINESS

   There was a presentation given by Jessica Ludorf, store manager of CHARM Medical Supply in West Hartford. She gave a summary of the vast and various medical supplies that can be bought or rented from them. They are also incontinence and compression specialists ready to assist anyone with these supplies. She encouraged anyone who needs medical supplies to contact them for help with those needs, as well as with insurance and Medicaid coverage.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

   None

9. COMMENTS FROM COA

   F Mara reminded people that there was a new Aging Mastery Program about to start in Granby and that anyone interested should contact them.

10. ADJOURN

    C Delasco made a motion and C McCann seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.


    Respectfully submitted,
    Barbara A. Marsele
    COA Clerk