EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON AGING

MINUTES OCTOBER 5, 2021

A meeting was held on October 5, 2021. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio; members Corrine Dickerson, Felice Mara, Marie Sandora, Roxanne Derlinga, and Judy Root by telephone; and Director of Senior Services Kelly Jacobs. Absent were Vice Chair Cheryl McCann; members Cathy Delasco, and Maureen Emery; students Colby Betts, and Melina Betts; and Social Services Director Elise Cosker.

1. OPENING REMARKS

R Galluccio stated that alternate David Emery, husband of member Maureen Emery, passed away late September; and he delivered a basket with the condolences of the Commission to the Emery family.

2. MINUTES

There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on September 7, 2021. F Mara made a motion and C Dickerson seconded accepting the minutes as written. All were in favor and the motion passed.

3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE/COMING EVENTS

K Jacobs stated that October will be a busy month of programs and trips. Included will be an opportunity on October 15, 2021 to meet the candidates for the Town election on November 2, 2021. She stated that transportation to vote will be available, and that people who need a ride should call her.

4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

R Galluccio stated that the UR Community Cares organization would like to have a meet and greet opportunity; and he asked K Jacobs to work with them and E Cosker to make that happen.

5. GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

No Report

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Have Meetings with Regional COA's

M Sandora stated that C McCann made another effort to reach out to the Towns with which there had been previous contact and which indicated possible interest. Again, she received no replies. R Galluccio stated that the viability of the initiative would need to be discussed at future meetings.

b. Greenway Day

F Mara stated that there were only a few participants even though it was a beautiful day and the event was held with the help of and in coordination with the East Granby Land Trust, which was holding its Yoga in the Park event too. R Galluccio stated that the viability of the event will need to be discussed at future meetings.

c. East Granby Cares

K Jacobs stated that C Betts is assembling a list of student workers for the October 23, 2021 event. To date, there are only a couple of residents who have requested their help.

d. Writing/Sending "Thinking of You" Cards to Seniors

The card writing for the 74-79 year old group is nearly complete, and the cards will be mailed soon.

7. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

a. 2022 Improvements List

R Galluccio reviewed the list and a few minor modifications were made. C Dickerson made a motion and F Mara seconded accepting the 2022 Improvements List as modified. All were in favor and the motion passed.

b. 2022 Calendar

C Dickerson made a motion and R Derlinga seconded accepting the 2022 Calendar as presented. All were in favor and the motion passed.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

B Marsele reminded the Commission that their November meeting would have to be held at a different location because the Community Center will be the site for election voting on November 2, 2021.

9. COMMENTS FROM COA

The Commission stated their condolences to the Emery family for their loss.

10. ADJOURN

C Dickerson made a motion and M Sandora seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara A. Marsele COA Clerk