

**EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT
COMMISSION ON AGING
SPECIAL MEETING**

**MINUTES
MAY 2, 2022**

A special meeting was held on May 2, 2022 both in person at the East Granby Community Center and by telephone. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm. In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio, and Vice Chair Cheryl McCann; members Corrine Dickerson, Felice Mara, Judy Root, and Roxanne Derlinga; students Colby Betts and Melina Betts; and Director of Social Services Elise Cosker.

1. OPENING REMARKS

R Galluccio stated that Maureen Emery has resigned as a member of the Commission.

C Betts will be graduating from East Granby High School this year. This will mark the conclusion of his time with the Commission. R Galluccio thanked him for his service. M Betts stated that she has his replacement ready to start next fall.

2. MINUTES

There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on April 5, 2022. F Mara made a motion and C McCann seconded accepting the minutes as written. All were in favor and the motion passed.

3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE/COMING EVENTS

R Galluccio read a report from K Jacobs.

The next Senior Moments covering June-August will be in homes later this month. June activities will also be in the next Let's Talk Turkey.

Both upcoming May trips are full.

The Senior Club is holding a meeting on June 3, 2022 at 11:00 am at the Senior Center to see if there is interest in starting the club again.

Bea Adams estate has been finalized and the Commission has received an additional \$7,000, which brings her total bequest to \$22,077.35.

The installation of the new carpet in the Senior Center main room, offices, and vestibule was completed about two weeks ago.

4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE

E Cosker stated that the Governor just announced an extension of the Energy Program. It will now run until June 30, 2022.

Mental health therapist Sharon Eastman, LCSW, will be available on Mondays 12:00 pm -- 4:00 pm and Thursdays 9:00 am -- 1:00 pm by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, contact the East Granby Senior or Social Services. Her services will be paid for by ARPA funds.

The annual Back to School Program, which supports income eligible East Granby families who are facing financial hardships, is accepting donations. Now and through the summer, Social Services will be accepting donated gift cards for Walmart and Target for later distribution.

5. GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

See below

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Senior Wellness Fair

No report

b. East Granby Cares

No report

c. Bequest to COA

R Galluccio shared an artist's rendition of the permanent structured planned for the Community Center. Cost quotes are still being sought.

d. Good Samaritan Publicity

R Galluccio stated that a full page of the revised poster and a write-up will be in the next Let's Talk Turkey. There was a discussion about the merits of a magnet with a miniature of the poster on it and distributed inside cards to

seniors. It was the consensus that a small magnet of the poster would not have enough information on it which a senior would need to know verses a brochure and should not be done.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

9. COMMENTS FROM COA

There were Happy Mother's Day sentiments shared. There were thank yous for his service to the Commission as well as best wishes to C Betts on his graduation and future.

10. ADJOURN

C Dickerson made a motion and F Mara seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara A. Marsele
COA Clerk