

**COMMISSION ON AGING  
EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT**

**MINUTES**

**12/6/2022**

A meeting was held on December sixth, 2022. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio; members and alternates Corrine Dickerson, Judy Root, John Kiang, Roxanne Derlinga and Tara Wiggett; students James Fagnant and Melina Betts; Director of Senior Services Kelly Jacobs, and Director of Social Services Elise Cosker.

**1. OPENING REMARKS**

R. Galluccio announced that R. Derlinga, after three years on the commission, will not be continuing past the end of the year. F. Mara will also not be continuing. F. Mara has been on the commission since 2015. Moving forward R. Galluccio informed the commission that M. Brose will be reappointed as a member. Alternates H. Corcoran and E. Wimpfheimer will be appointed as a member, leaving two open spots for alternates.

**2. MINUTES**

There were several corrections to the minutes of the meeting held on 11/1/2022. The corrections are as follows:

**b. East Granby Cares**

M. Betts reported that 11 seniors were helped during East Granby Cares Day. 31 students participated as volunteers. There was good reception in the community to the offered service. K. Jacobs stated that this has improved dramatically compared to past years.

**c. Bequest to COA**

R. Galluccio stated that ARPA funds would not be used for the roof addition to the Senior Center. The Selectwoman will be adding the project to the Capital plan. The Commission discussed renewing the idea for a Gazebo which would be built on the back side of the building. More on this at subsequent meetings.

**d. Good Samaritan Publicity**

R. Galluccio indicated that a new page was presented for Good Samaritan but would be discussed at the next meeting when more people were present.

**e. 2023 Improvements List**

A modification to the proposed 2023 Improvements List was presented. The entry for the roof addition was modified, Concrete work to fix the patio was included under Necessary Improvements and a gazebo was added under the Wish List.

C. Dickerson made a motion to approve the plan for submission. J. Kiang seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

J. Kiang made a motion and C. Dickerson seconded accepting the emendation to the minutes. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE**

K. Jacobs reported that the holiday party last week had about 30 people in attendance. The program trip to the Barnes Museum in Southington scheduled on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> of December had to be cancelled due to lack of participants. The bright-nights trip is full for participants and the travelers corral only has a few open slots left. Both trips are during the week of the 11<sup>th</sup> of December. Later in January will be the majestic theater.

**4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE**

E. Cosker reported that December social services are in full swing. The holiday program had 44 children the town sponsored this year in comparison to about 30 the previous year. The food pantry has seen increased donations. Energy assistance is seeing steady activity aswell.

**5. GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM**

R. Galluccio clarified that volunteers for the program do not need to be from East Granby themselves.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**Bequest to COA**

R. Galluccio informed the commission that he and E. Wimpfheimer will be meeting to discuss getting a quote for a gazebo. Commission had a discussion on where exact location of the structure should be.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. 2023 Election of officers**

J. Root made a motion and J. Kiang seconded to elect R. Galluccio as Chairman and Cheryl McCann as Vice Chairman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**b. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

No report

**c. COMMENTS FROM COA**

Commission thanked R. Derlinga and F. Mara for their contribution and service to the COA. The commission wishes everyone a happy holiday and a happy new year.

**d. ADJOURN**

J. Kiang made a motion and C. Dickerson seconded adjourning the meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brian Daddario  
COA Clerk