

**COMMISSION ON AGING  
EAST GRANBY, CT  
Minutes  
June 6, 2023**

A meeting was held on June 6, 2023 both in person and by telephone. Chairman Richard Galluccio called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM. In attendance were Chairman Richard Galluccio, Members Marie Sandora, Pam Carroll. Also in attendance were Kelly Jacobs, Director of Senior Services and Elise Cosker, Director of Social Services as well as student member James Fagnant. Judy Root and Vice Chair Cheryl McCann attended by phone. Non member, Nora McCloskey was also in attendance.

**1. OPENING REMARKS**

R. Galluccio made introductions of potential future member, Nora McCloskey. He also read the following note from Melina Betts:

Hello Rich!

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend next week's meeting. I am attending Another school's prom. I thought I was going to be able to, however other plans came up.

Saying this, I just want to thank you and every member on the commission for everything the past 2 years! I am so thankful that I was able to have this experience and work with everyone and make EG Cares happen!

Also, Maya's email is [betts003@gmail.com](mailto:betts003@gmail.com)

Thank you,  
Melina

R. Galluccio stated that 32 people watched last month meeting.

**2. MINUTES**

There were no corrections to last month's minutes. A motion was made by P. Carroll and M. Sandora seconded the motion to approve last month's minutes. Non member, N. McCloskey abstained from the minutes. Approval of the minutes was unanimous.

**3. SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE**

K.Jacobs reported the painting class on June 9<sup>th</sup> is full. Summer lobster concert is June 16<sup>th</sup>. Talcott Mountain fireworks in July and beach in July are full. Seats are still available for the Berkshires in July. In August there is a Yard Goats game and the Simsbury flower bridge. Please reach out to K. Jacobs if you have any further questions regarding senior services.

**4. SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE –**

E. Cosker reported the “Renter’s Rebate” program for renters in 2022, income limits for individuals is \$40,300 and \$49,100 for couples. Rebates can be as high as \$900.00 and as low as \$150.00, based on rental amounts, income and utilities paid out. However, they might be extended. E. Cosker also reported that social services is starting their “Back to School” assistance program. They collect gift cards (from Target, Walmart, Staples, etc) for school supplies and pass them out to families in August so they can go school shopping in August. Contact Social Services for more information.

**5. Good Samaritan Program –**

New laminated flyers are needed to give to Adrianna at the Villages for posting.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Senior wellness fair –**

C. McCann noted she needs volunteers to assist with this project. She had hoped to know the number of volunteers she would have by now. She will send out “save the date” notices. J. Root agreed to make phone calls. Cheryl is reaching out to vendors. Volunteers are still needed. It was discussed that a decision to continue or cancel would have to be made by early August to be included in Senior Moments, or by Sept. 5 to be included in Talk Turkey. The date of the senior wellness fair is scheduled for Monday October 16<sup>th</sup> time TBD.

**b. Bequest to COA**

R. Galluccio reported the pavilion has been ordered. Electrical work will hopefully be completed in July.

**c. East Granby Cares –**

K. Jacobs advised student member J. Fagnant that the best date for Fall projects would be October 21<sup>st</sup>. He will pass that along. Kelly will post it in Talk Turkey.

**d. Senior Celebrations**

R. Galluccio noted that the previous number of 39 is now down to 38 due to a death. E. Cosker noted that number is now 37 due to a resident relocating out of the area. R. Galluccio noted the catering cost for food obtained by H. Corcoran is now \$17 a person for brunch options. The question was raised whether this cost included a cake. If not, other dessert options were discussed. Invitations also need to be sent to the East Granby Board of Selectman and our Connecticut elected officials. K. Jacobs will get addresses.

**7. NEW BUSINESS –**

A motion was made by P. Carroll and seconded by M. Sandora, to cancel the July and August meetings, to be replaced by a “social” to be held on July 11 at Higley Village and August 1 at Metacomet Village from 6 to 7 PM. Motion was carried by unanimous vote. Desserts will include banana bread and cookies, with refreshments of iced tea and/or lemonade

**8.COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC –**

None

**9.COMMENTD FROM THE COA –**

K. Jacobs extended thanks to Melina for all of her help and wished everyone an enjoyable summer.

**10.ADJURON**

P. Carroll made a motion to adjourn, seconded by M. Sandora. Approval was unanimous with abstention only by non member, N. McCloskey. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nora McCloskey