

**COMISSON ON AGING (COA)  
EAST GRANBY (EG), CT  
Minutes  
September 5, 2023**

A meeting was held on September 5, 2023 both in person and by telephone. Vice-Chairman Cheryl McCann called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm, with the following in attendance:

[X] Betts, Maya (Student)	[X] Jacobs, Kelly (Senior Services)
[ ] Brose, Mattia	[X] Kiang, John
[X] Carroll, Pam	[X] McCann, Cheryl (Vice Chair)
[X] Corcoran, Holly	[X] McCloskey, Nora
[X] Cosker, Elise (Social Services)	[X] Root, Judy - via phone
[ ] Dickerson, Corrine	[X] Sandora, Marie
[X] Fagnant, James (Student)	[ ] Wimpfheimer, Eden
[ ] Galluccio, Richard (Chairman)	
[X] Hastings, Katie (Clerk)	

**COA Guests**

None

**OPENING REMARKS**

- Maya Betts to replace previous student representative.

**MINUTES**

- Motion was made by Holly Corcoran, seconded by John Kiang, to approve last month's minutes passed unanimously.

**SENIOR SERVICES UPDATE (K.Jacobs)**

- Senior Moments Fall newsletter was issued approximately a week or two ago, noting:
  - EG Cares Day, Flu clinic, Wellness Fair, AARP Driver Safety class, upcoming trips and classes
  - EG is partnering with Greater Hartford RSVP and looking for volunteers for medical transfer program:
    - Program would gather pool of volunteers and provide ample notice for ride needs
    - Insurance coverage through program
    - Mileage reimbursement
    - Kelly to email contact to see if program is interested in attending EG Wellness Fair

**SOCIAL SERVICES UPDATE (E.Cosker)**

- Talk Turkey will cover

- Emergency Assistance fund (donations down) which assists with housing, fuel, medical supplies/medications costs
- CT Energy Assistance program begins Oct 2, 2023
  - Applications may be submitted by phone, in person, and (new) online
- Holiday Gift Program will be ramping up soon
- Renter Rebate program will be closing on Friday, September 29

#### **GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM (K.Jacobs/E.Cosker)**

- Date: October 21, 2023

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Higley and Metacomet Socials (All)
  - Good turnout at Higley for a successful events, received several requests:
    - COA Minutes to be emailed to property manager/admin for distribution (AdrianaT@resman.net)
    - Sign residents up for Senior Moments
    - Information on promotions/free items
  - Social format preferred for future resident Meet & Greets
    - Twice a year recommended: Spring and Late Summer
- Senior Wellness Fair (C.McCann/M.Sandora): Monday, October 16, 2023
  - Notice will be in September edition of Talk Turkey
  - Vendors
    - Vendors need to fill out form to reserve table and provide brochure info by September 25, 2023
    - Currently 18 vendors for 2023, there were 28 (less six absences) in 2022
    - Appreciation to Judy for reaching out to vendors
  - Marketing, Flyers and brochures
    - 50 flyers needed to hang in EG and surrounding towns
    - 150 brochures needed for event
    - Sponsorship sign needed for event, may be will Social Services
    - Email to local senior centers
    - PDF added to EG and neighboring town's facebook pages
  - Ideas for COA give aways/food:
    - \$500 provided by People's Bank
    - Backscratcher/Shoe horns (\$1/piece)
    - Telescoping shoehorn (\$1.97 for 200, \$2.00 for 150)
    - 2022 Bags
    - Magnets
    - Local business gift cards (donations or purchased)
    - Popcorn, cider donuts, cider, small waters
- Bequest to COA (R.Galluccio/E.Wimpfheimer)
  - Preference to hold ribbon cutting until plaque is received
- East Granby Cares (M.Betts/J.Fagnant)
- Senior Celebration Brunch (R.Galluccio/C.Dickerson/M.Brose/H.Corcoran/K.Jacobs)

- Saturday, September 23, 2023, 11AM
- Cheryl, John, and Marie to assist with serving
- Harvest in Simsbury is a possible vendor, additional committee meeting needed
- Final head count need to be confirmed by September 8, 2023
  - Currently 15 confirmed with 9 guests, 24 total + commissions members

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- None

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

- None

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE COA**

- Request for volunteers for events

#### **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn made by John Kiang, seconded by Holly Corcoran, was approved unanimously at 8:06 pm.