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<u>Colchester Commission on Aging</u> <u>Meeting Minutes</u>

Monday, November 13, 2017 - Colchester Senior Center

Members Present: Jean Stawicki, Ellie Phillips, Marjorie Mlodzinski, Marion Stanavage, Jennifer Raybern DeHay

Members Absent: Goldie Liverant

Others Present: Rosemary Coyle, Andrea Migliaccio, Mary Tomasi, Linda Farrell

- 1. Call Meeting to Order: J. Stawicki called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.
- Minutes: M. Mlodzinski motioned to accept the October 10, 2017 minutes. E. Phillips seconded. M. Stanavage and J. DeHay abstained. All other members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.
- **3.** Financial Report: M. Mlodzinski reported there is currently \$630.45 in the Commission on Aging line item and \$300 in the town's Commission on Aging line item for printing and publication.
- 4. Director of Senior Center Report: No items were reported.
- 5. Preparation of Annual Report and Budget: The group discussed what information to include and how to format it. E. Phillips and M. Mlodzinski will continue work to bring to the December meeting.
- 6. Acceptance of 2018 Meeting Dates: M. Mlodzinski motioned to accept the meeting dates as presented. E. Phillips seconded. All other members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.
- 7. COA Projects:
 - **a. Gift Basket for Senior Center Holiday Fair:** J. Stawicki presented a basket that she put together with a gift card donated by the Goodspeed Opera House and a bottle of wine, glasses and napkins that she donated. Total value is \$131.96.

E. Phillips reported she and J. Stawicki will attend a program presented by CorePlus Credit Union on the dangers of scams. If they feel the program has merit, they will report back to the Commission to discuss hosting a presentation at the Colchester Senior Center. M. Mlodzinski updated the group on the 40th Anniversary Ruby Jubilee to be held at Villa Louisa on 9/16/18 from 1:30-5:30. A Jazz trio has been secured for entertainment and the center will run busses for attendees to the venue. E. Phillips recapped the showing of the film "Harvesting Stones", which went tremendously. There were 60-70 attendees and 55 lbs. of foodstuffs were collected and donated to the Colchester Food Bank. Viewers seemed to enjoy the film and recognized many places and faces in the film. The Commission will plan another showing at the senior center in early 2018 and E. Phillips has been in contact with a history teacher at Bacon Academy for a showing there.

- 8. Commission Membership: The group discussed membership openings and term end dates. M. Stanavage will not renew her membership. J. Stawicki thanked her for her service. Discussion was had on the appointment of R. Avery to the Commission. There is now a full-member position opening as well as the two alternate positions.
- 9. Old Business: No items were reported.

- **10. New Business:** E. Phillips remarked that the Renter's Rebate program had been cut from the state budget. R. Coyle reported that it was being sent back to amend the language. Members agreed it would be worthwhile to reach out to lawmakers to let them know how important this program is to seniors. They can be reached through emails which can be found on <u>www.ct.gov</u>. R. Coyle spoke briefly on the impact of the current state budget and next year's proposal.
- **11. Citizen's Comments:** L. Farrell inquired about the procedure to become a member.
- **12. Adjournment:** M. Mlodzinski motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:23. E. Phillips seconded. All other members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMISSION ON AGING

2018 Scheduled Meeting Dates

(2nd Monday of the month)

Monday, January 8, 2018

Monday, February 12, 2018

Monday, March 12, 2018

Monday, April 9, 2018

Monday, May 14, 2018

Monday, June 11, 2018

Monday, July 9, 2018

Monday, August 13, 2018

Monday, September 10, 2018

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 (Monday October 8th is Columbus Day)

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 (Monday November 12th is Observance of Veteran's Day)

Monday, December 10, 2018

Meetings are held at the Colchester Senior Center at 8:30 a.m.