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<u>Colchester Commission on Aging</u> <u>Meeting Minutes</u> <u>Monday, July 10, 2017</u> - Colchester Senior Center

<u>Members Present:</u> Ellie Phillips, Marjorie Mlodzinski, Goldie Liverant <u>Members Absent:</u> Jean Stawicki, Marion Stanavage, Jennifer Raybern DeHay <u>Others Present:</u> Patty Watts, Rosemary Coyle

- 1. Call Meeting to Order: E. Phillips called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. with no quorum.
- 2. Minutes: The date of the June minutes needs to be changed from June 13 to June 12. The group will vote on this when they have a quorum.
- **3.** Financial Report: M. Mlodzinski reported that she was unable to confirm balances as Maggie is away but the Commission spent \$222 from their budget line item on publication of the Senior Resource Guide and the \$300 in the town's budget. She will bring balances to the August meeting.

8:36 a.m. J. Stawicki entered the meeting bringing a quorum. M. Mlodzinski motioned to accept the June 12, 2017 minutes with the date correction. E. Phillips seconded. All other members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

P. Watts reported the daily transportation collection for June was \$180.50 and out of town trips was \$212.00 for a total of \$392.50 The June YTD total was \$3,176.44, which is also the fiscal year total.

- **4. COA Projects:** The group discussed dates and a venue for the Harvesting Stones video. They will hold the presentation at the senior center. E. Phillips will bring some dates to the next meeting for finalization. M. Mlodzinski will begin planning the Gala to celebrate the senior center's 40th anniversary in September 2018. She reported that there is already a regional housing expo held this month so talked about the possibility of a different spring project.
- 5. Director of Senior Center Report: P. Watts reported that AARP has advertised their Smart Driver education program which has resulted in waiting lists for the July and September classes. They've added August and October classes to try to meet the demand but they are almost full. These classes are typically held quarterly. Membership registration continues to be high and staff is seeing a lot of new faces! Patty reported that she is very proud of the work that the Strategic Planning Committee has accomplished since October 2015. They have completed the Strategic Plan. She will formally thank them at their next meeting. The center is now offering a Foot Clinic with Dr. Anthony Morgan of Colchester Foot Specialist. They are pleased to make this important service more convenient for members. Youth and Social Services served an awesome Patriotic Picnic on July 3rd. 50 meals were served and fun intergenerational games were played. May meals statistics: 110 Bistro and special meals served, 76 Community Café meals served and 552 Meals-on-Wheels delivered. Monthly attendance in June was 1,132. Transports in May were 902. At the end of June there were 1,049.

- 6. Strategic Planning Team Report: P. Watts reported that she anticipates presenting the Strategic Plan to the Board of Selectmen in early August. She will present to the Commission on Aging at the September meeting.
- 7. AARP Report: P. Watts related that they suspend meetings until September.
- 8. Old Business: R. Coyle reported that the Board of Selectmen accepted R. Gustafson's resignation from the Commission. This leaves a full member and two alternate positions open. P. Watts offered to publish the vacancies in the senior center newsletter. There was also discussion regarding members who do not attend meetings regularly. The group also discussed getting the Senior Resource Guide posted online.
- 9. New Business: None.
- 10. Citizen's Comments: None.
- **11. Adjournment:** G. Liverant motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:26. E. Phillips seconded. All other members present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Komoroski