

## TOWN OF ENFIELD

# Commission on Aging

Minutes for Wednesday January 11, 2017

Present: David Goyette, Chairperson, Alice Egan, Vice Chairperson, William St.George, Secretary, Howard Florian, Treasurer, Michael J. Arnone Jr., Pat Linehan, Timothy Slade, Muriel Capocci, Jessica Russell, MSW, Social Worker, Staff Liaison

Absent: Mary O'Connell, Kathleen Tallarita, William Edgar, Town Council Liaison

General Public Guests: None

David Goyette, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

Chairperson's Report

Anthony Messina resigned from the Repair Program and the Commission due to family obligations. Tim Slade has stepped in as the head of the Repair Program. The Repair Program storage needs were brought to William Edgar, who brought the issue to the Town Manager. The Manager assigned Jonathan Bilmes to look into these needs.

Secretary's Report

A motion to accept the Minutes with revision made by Pat Linehan and seconded by Timothy Slade, was passed unanimously. Revision to December Minutes: Under "Terms and 2017 Officers", Anthony Messina should be Howard Florian.

Treasurer's Report

The Commission reviewed the summary report. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented made by Will St. George and seconded by Timothy Slade, was passed unanimously.

### Committee Reports

**Grandparents Supporting Grandchildren** 

The group recently gained four new members.

Triad

Triad did not meet in December. Earlier today the Triad held a Crisis Management Program at the Senior Center. The Police, Fire and EMS Departments provided one presenter each. Additionally, the Director of Admissions at Blair Manor presented on the nursing home admission process. This additional subject proved to be helpful and informative.

## Symposium

The Symposium Committee will meet on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, between 3:00 and 4:30 p.m., at the Senior Center. The Symposium date and location are to be decided and the topic might be finalized. Focus Groups: The filming of the Senior Views second episode is scheduled for January 24th.

Senior Minor Home Repair Project

Dawn has requested a list of volunteers to be receiving badges, which she will forward to the Police Department. Tim Slade will provide the list. The Police Department has a template for the Program's ID and one particular officer can make the ID badges for this Program. Tim Slade stated he will coordinate with the volunteers and the Police Department to make the best use of the officer's time.

## **Nursing Home Project**

Alice Egan discussed how the purchase order requirement was workable because a DSS staff person did the shopping with her. The staff person paid via PO at the register. When David Goyette and Alice spoke to the Financial Director last year, he stated using reimbursement was acceptable for this project. The Program received a thank-you letter from St. Joseph's with a picture. Dawn intends to have the picture put in the newspaper. This agenda item is seasonal and will be removed until the Fall.

#### Outreach and Missions

Nutmeg Senior Rides is holding their annual Alzheimer's Walkathon at Enfield Square on March 25th. After a brief debate on the amount, a motion made by Tim Slade and seconded by Howard Florian to donate \$250 to the Alzheimer's Walkathon was passed unanimously.

#### **Executive Session**

After a brief introduction, David Goyette, Chairperson, motioned for an Executive Session, which was seconded and passed unanimously. The Executive Session began at 4:22 p.m.. A motion to end the Executive Session passed unanimously and the Executive Session ended at 5:04 p.m.

#### **Annual Officer Election**

Officer candidates were selected and everyone agreed to vote on the candidates as a slate. A motion made by Will St. George and seconded by Tim Slade to elect the 2017 slate of four composed of David Goyette as Chairperson, Alice Egan as Vice-Chairperson, Will St. George as Secretary, and Howard Florian as Treasurer, was passed unanimously. A motion to adjourn made by Will St. George and seconded by Timothy Slade, was passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Will St. George, Secretary

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2017, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., Senior Center, 299 Elm St,, Conference Room.