

Minutes
Commission on Aging, Town of Seymour
Meeting
January 4, 2012 (rescheduled from 12-28-11)
Seymour Senior Center
10:00 A.M.

Members of the Commission present: Joan Gee, , Bonnie Wilkes, Phyllis Jachimowski; Evelyn Molner, Harry Marks

In Attendance: Senior Center Director Lucy McConologue

- The meeting was **called to order** at 10:17 AM.
- All present recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
- **Public Comment**- There was no public comment.
- **The minutes of 11-22-11 were approved as presented.**
Motion- Bonnie Wilkes
Second- Phyllis Jachimowski
All in favor.
In the above minutes, the need for follow up on a disaster plan for the town was stressed. The Commission feels strongly that the Commission should be represented on any committee, as should the Seymour Housing Authority. The needs of the elderly in a disaster, such as the two storms of 2011, are different from the needs of younger families and must be addressed.
- Lucy McConologue submitted the **Senior Center Director's Report**. The report was accepted as presented.
Motion-Harry Marks
Second-Phyllis Jachimowski
All in favor.
- The standard **agenda** was prepared for the next meeting.
- **Other Business**: Joan Gee discussed the recommendations presented to the First Selectman on behalf of the entire Commission. Joan also relayed the info that she was informed she will not be reappointed to the Commission. All members expressed their disappointment. In the minutes of the last meeting, all members expressed a desire to be reappointed as a group.
The Commission took some time to review accomplishments: Senior Survey of 2011, Informational Booth at Founders Day 2010 and 2011, holding regular meetings at both Ray House and Callahan House, establishing relationships with Summerfield Gardens and Resident Service Coordinators at Seymour Housing Authority, presenting informational sessions on Medicare at Senior Housing Sites, establishing relationship with Shady Knoll, facilitating appointment of a state mandated Municipal Agent for the Elderly; being conduits and contacts for seniors in the community; facilitation and implementation of a free newsletter -among others. All Commission members agree that the Senior Center is often the first contact for

seniors needing assistance and should be a clearinghouse for info. As such, focus will be on a Senior Center and programs and funding.

- There was no further **Public Comment.**
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 AM.
Motion-Joan Gee
Second-Harry Marks
All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie C. Wilkes
Secretary, Commission on Aging