

**Minutes
Commission on Aging, Town of Seymour
Meeting
July 26, 2011
Norman Ray House
10:00 AM**

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Members of the Commission present: Joan Gee, , Bonnie Wilkes, Harry Marks, Evelyn Molner ; Excused-Phyllis Jachimowski
In Attendance: Senior Center Director Lucy McConologue
Members of the public and residents of the Ray House were also present.

- The meeting was called to order at 10:08 AM.
- All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment- Bonnie, the Resident Services Coordinator at the Ray House, stated the halls of the Ray House are now air conditioned. She also stated that tenants are responsible for A/C in their own units.. Tenants can rent air conditioners from the Housing Authority for \$20 a month. Bonnie also mentioned that all rents went up, based on electric costs. There was also a discussion of the power outage at the Callahan House and the subsequent relocation to Smithfield Gardens. Concern was expressed should this happen again in any of the elderly housing areas. The suggestion was made that both Lucy McConologue and the Commission on Aging should be notified. Bonnie mentioned upcoming events at the Ray House. A trip to Yankee Candle is scheduled for 9/14/11, a craft fair and basket auction is scheduled for 11/5/11, and a speaker from the Alzheimer's Association is scheduled.

- **The minutes of 6-22-11 were approved as presented.**

Motion- Evelyn Molner

Second- Harry Marks

All in favor.

- Lucy McConologue submitted the **Senior Center Director's Report.** The report was accepted as presented. Lucy mentioned yoga was scheduled for Mondays. Lucy stated she receives approximately 300 copies of the newsletter. No mechanism is in place for mailing the newsletters. Haircuts will be offered once a month at the Senior Center for \$10. Harry Marks asked for a copy of the checklist the bus driver is using. Lucy will bring it to the next meeting. The need to document the usage of the bus and driver was stressed, especially if a request is made in the future for more hours.. Motion to accept the report as follows:

Motion-Harry Marks

Second-Bonnie Wilkes

All in favor.

- **Other Business:** The Senior Center budget was discussed. Joan Gee requested that Lucy provide the following in the next report/meeting: What is the plan for the money in the budget as it represents an increase from previous years? Lucy stated she is awaiting procedures for handling the incoming monies. Both Lucy and the Commission will follow up on this.
- The **agenda** for the next meeting was prepared. The meeting is scheduled for 8/24/11 at the Senior Center. Under Senior Center Director's Report, the Commission requests a copy of the bus safety checklist and plans for activities and the new budget.

Public Comment: A member of the public questioned the structure of the Seymour Senior Citizens, Inc. A further question was posed about their budget. Joan Gee explained the history of Seymour Senior Citizens, Inc., as she understood it.

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie C. Wilkes
Secretary, Commission on Aging