

Commission on Aging (COA)

Minutes from September 24, 2015 Meeting

Call to Order: 10:40 am by Chairwoman Jovita Cozean

Present: Suzanne Bostelman, Jovita Cozean, Jo Golec, John Pagnani, Brad Parker, Vicki Riley-Pach, Alice Sabo

Absent: Rosalie Hoffman, MaryEllen Klinck, Ernie Malavasi, Jim O'Brien: excused

Secretary's Report: Jovita Cozean asked for a motion to approve the May minutes. Alice Sabo seconded. All approved.

Treasurer's Report: Fund 52 Account: \$5,542.33. No change.

Correspondence: Invitation from the East Hampton COA & Senior Center inviting to a round table discussion about the needs of older adults. All local Senior Centers are invited. Jovita will respond, accepting invite. Jovita, Vicki and Alice and Jo will attend. Perhaps John.

Chairwoman's Report: No report

Citizens' Concerns: None

Old Business: Jovita asked for update to the Outreach Program: Brad Parker responded:

1. Darlene Dunbar and Kathy Hertweck have been visiting homes of 80 & older residents. Town has issued them badges.
2. There are many residents to visit; this will take time.
3. Need more volunteers to help with this outreach.
4. Many residents have been surprised about the breath of services at Senior Center.
5. Senior Center has received a few calls requesting a visit.
6. Alice Sabo has volunteered to be the liaison with the residents of Oak Grove. She will coordinate with Darlene and Brad.

New Business: Vicki mentioned that there is a 50 years and older soccer league in town. Need players. Sundays at the high school field. Contact person: Vicki's husband.

Coordinator of Senior Services Report: Brad Parker reported on the following:

1. Oak Grove Grant Phase II has been approved by the town.
2. Attendance numbers continue to increase. Phone is ringing more!
3. 10 Year Building anniversary Party: October 28. Chestelm is paying for the food. Senior Club is paying for the entertainment.
4. Next big event: Craft, Bake and Tea Cup Auction: November 21

5. Upcoming Events:

- a. Tonight: BINGO & Ice Cream
- b. Flu shots: October 14
- c. Medicare talk, *ConnectiCare*: October 19
- d. Fuel Assistance Sign Up: beginning October 1. Will have a sign up day on October 26
- e. Medicare Open Enrollment: October 28, November 18, December 2
- f. Ivoryton Play, *Liberace!*: October 28
- g. Rockettes, NYC: December 2
- h. Christmas Show at Newport Playhouse: December 14

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 19, 2015, 10:30 am

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:10 am on motion by Jo Golec; seconded by John Pagnani.

Respectfully Submitted by: Susannah Griffin