Senior Citizens Commission Regular Meeting October 4, 2016 Minutes

The Senior Citizens Commission held a regular meeting on Tuesday October 4, 2016 at the Senior Center at 1:00 P.M. Present at the meeting were members: Chair Paula Friez, Cheryl Udin, Sally Tracy, Tina Giuffre, Corenda Haugh and Helen Winkler. The new Director of Senior and Social Services Carrie Concatelli was also in attendance. Bolton resident Alice Hare was also in attendance.

1. Call to order

Paula Friez called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M.

2. Public Comment

Cheryl Udin Senior Inc. Report: Cheryl stated in August they had a catered BBQ and was a success. She also stated the boat trip was great, they had 50 people. There is a mystery trip at the end of October. Cheryl also stated that the senior appreciation meal was wonderful and Me Home came in and everyone enjoyed the event. There will be a lunch in on November 9th for Veteran's Day.

3. Approval of Minutes:

June 7, 2016

Cheryl Udin made a motion to accept the June 7, 2016 minutes as written, seconded by Sally Tracy. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Old Business

A. Outreach Update

Paula Friez stated the Commission hasn't done much with this since Jennifer Ochoa left. Cheryl suggested sending out two or more mailings out a year to the seniors letting them know what programs and services are offered. Carrie Concatelli stated making a brochure and placing them at different town locations might also be a good idea. Cheryl Udin suggested a phone tree where a couple of the Commission members could take turns calling seniors and notifying them of upcoming events.

5. New Business

A. Election of Chairman

Sally Tracy made a motion to nominate Paula Friez as Chairman for the Senior Citizens Commission; the motion was seconded by Helen Winkler. The motion passed.

B. Welcome the New Director Carrie Concatelli

Everyone on the Commission got a chance to introduce themselves and meet the new director

C. Welcome New Members

Cheryl Udin Helen Winkler Corenda Haugh The Commission had three new members join.

D. Veteran's Day Program

Paula Friez stated the Veteran's day program will be on November 9th. Patricia Morianos is looking for a speaker from Rocky Hill. Cheryl Udin stated she will try and get the Bolton Fire Department to put signage up at the fire house. Paula Friez stated Patricia is also putting up a list of donations needed. There is a box for donations at town hall and the Library.

E. Decoration of Senior Center for Christmas

Paula Friez stated they will decorate the senior center on December 1st at 11:00 A.M. Tina Giuffre stated the senior center needs some new decorations and she asked members look and see if they have any to donate.

F. New Program Ideas

Helen Winkler stated she would like someone to come in and speak about hospice and what it entails. The Commission would also like to try and hold cooking classes at the senior center. The senior director Carrie is going to look into getting a permit. Carrie also stated that in November or December there will be an intern coming in and setting up some kind of grieving group. Tina Giuffre would also like to bring in an occupational therapist to speak and educate people.

6. Adjournment

Cheryl Udin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sally Tracy. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 2:02

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien Board Clerk

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