

**TOWN OF ENFIELD
COMMISSION ON AGING
Teleconference Public Meeting
Minutes for Wednesday, June 10, 2020**

Present: David Goyette, Chairperson; Alice Egan, Vice-Chairperson; William St. George, Secretary; Muriel Capocci; Marlene Hoginski; Howard Florian; Kathleen Tallarita; Bill Kiner, Town Council Liaison; Timothy Slade, Treasurer; Pat Linehan; Jennifer Switalski, MSW - DSS Social Worker, Staff Liaison.

Absent: Judy Kilty; Michael Arnone, Jr; Lori Unghire, Town Council Liaison.

Guests: Cindy Guerreri, Shelia Grady, Mary Keller.

I. Welcome

David Goyette, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:02pm.

II. Secretary's Report

A motion to accept the May 28th minutes, as presented, passed. - (9-0-0).

III. Treasurer's Report

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, with corrections, passed. - (9-0-0).

IV. Committee Reports

A. Repair Program

Tentative Start Date: July 7, dependent on town and health district reports. Dave and Tim will meet to discuss.

B. Symposium

No update.

C. Isolated Seniors

A new class of volunteers is in the works.

D. Senior Living TV

A production of one or more shows using video conferencing technology was discussed. The Cox Public Access people are setup to produce shows by this method. The possibility of a show by August or September was indicated.

E. Transportation Survey

A DSS staff member is reviewing the COA materials for partial incorporation into the annually scheduled department survey.

F. Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Kay reported on how the extra funding is to be spent. The DSS social worker is doing an excellent job – the meetings are going well.

G. TRIAD

Meetings have been suspended for the time being.

H. Blue Book

Two meetings of the sub-committee have been held. A plan of distribution was presented to the DSS Director. The storage issue resolution is: each commissioner is to pick up one carton for distribution; books can be stored at the DSS office after flooring work is done. Another committee meeting is anticipated to decide how the distribution will occur. The next meeting will involve the owner of minuteman press.

I. CHOICES

Jennifer and Will have begun the CHOICES certification training, which is being conducted via Webinar.

V. Old Business

A. Grants

Past, current, and future grants were discussed, briefly.

B. Senior Groups

These groups are not meeting due to COVID-19.

C. Senior Center

There will be a drive by party on June 29 and some blue books will be given out.

VI. New Business

Community Gardens-David Goyette discussed donations to the Enfield Development Committee for community gardens.

VIII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn passed (9-0-0). David Goyette adjourned the meeting at 3:15pm.

The Commission thanks Cindy Guerreri for setting up and hosting our public teleconference meeting.

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 2pm – Dave will look into available space or a teleconference meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by Will St George, Secretary

Cc:

Christopher W. Bromson, Town Manager,

Bill Kiner, Council Liaison,

Lori Unghire, Council Liaison,

Jennifer Switalski, MSW - DSS Social Worker, Staff Liaison,

Cindy Guerreri, Director, Department of Social Services,

Shelia Grady, Senior Center Manager,

Mary Keller, Deputy Director of Recreation Services,

Marguerite DuPrey, 'Commissioner Emeritus'

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