

**PLAINVILLE SENIOR CENTER COMMITTEE ON AGING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2017 MEETING MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Director Shawn Cohen, Chairperson Sally Miller, Susan DesRochers, Rita Dewyea, Ann Krupinski, Joan McBain, Anna Smedick, Soni Speruduti, Tina Wishart, Rosemary Morante (Town Council Liaison)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Assistant Director Ronda Guberman, Marilyn Petit

Meeting was opened at 12:00 noon by Sally Miller. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Sally Miller

MOTION was made by Anna Smedick and seconded by Joan McBain (vote unanimous to accept the minutes of June 8, 2017)

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE TREASURER'S REPORT was read by Shawn Cohen

MOTION was made by Sue Desrochers and seconded by Tina Wishart (vote unanimous to accept the report as read)

THE SENIOR CENTER STATEMENT OF CASH BALANCE ending August 31, 2017 was read by Shawn Cohen

MOTION was made by Joan McBain and seconded by Sally Miller (vote unanimous to accept the report as read)

EXPENDITURES: None at this time.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Community Foundation of Greater New Britain Grant

This grant paid for our Financial Office Assistant for the first year. It will hopefully also pay for half of the second year. We are sending a Letter of Intent to apply again.

2. October 11 at 8:00 a.m. – People from the New Britain Community Foundation will meet with all Town of Plainville service providers to discuss all needs.

3. New Britain Foundation will use our grant request for capacity building as a model for all future requests because it was successful.

4. Veterans Program – October 3 at 10:30 a.m.

Sherri Vogt from Elizabeth Esty's office will be here to talk about programs and services for veterans. Online Shopping Services for veterans is starting on November 11th, 2017.

5. Remembrance Quilt – Regarding opioid overdoses.

Our quilting class has been asked to make the backing and border. This quilt will be hung in the Legislative Office Building and the State Capitol in Hartford.

6. NAACP Most Influential African Men and Women will be honored on October 27 at Nuchie's Restaurant in Forestville. We are proud to have three of our seniors honored – Sally Miller and Frank Robinson and Gail Williams. (Since the meeting, we have learned that 1 other member is being honored – Olga Callender)
7. Office Assistant – Claudette Carveth. We are pleased to have a retiree from the State Department of Consumer Protection with us.
8. Membership Breakfast, September 28 at 9:00 a.m. will be sponsored by the Pines of Bristol.
9. Energy Assistance: We work with HRA of New Britain, formerly Bristol Community Organization. This is a federal program, but we work with Plainville residents only.
10. Programs
 - a. Free Balance Assessments
 - b. Snappy Seniors -- latest exhibit titled "Water, Water Everywhere" at the Plainville Library
 - c. Preventing Identity Theft, on October 12 with presenter Eric Rodko
 - d. Quilt Raffle -- tickets now on sale for raffle to be held on November 4, 2017. PLEASE HELP TO SELL QUILT RAFFLE TICKETS.
 - e. Depression Screening -- will be held on October 5, 2017.
 - f. NCAA / North Central Area on Aging – We are hosting this program on September 26, 2017. Forty-three (43) towns from Greater Hartford are involved.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Summer Accomplishments
 - a. All Staff renewed CPR/AED training. (This is a 2-3 hour class.)
 - b. AARP Drivers Training Issues. Because of a few problems we will ask National AARP to review their sign-up policy.
 - c. File cleaning was accomplished; wish we had more time.
 - d. HRA Bus -- One of our old buses is now being used for Bristol Dial-a-Ride, after it was purchased from us.
 - e. Tag Sale for Dial-a-Ride brought in \$1,774.00

NEW BUSINESS

1. An Edible Arrangement was sent to Helen Marinelli's Family
2. **Motion** was made by Sally Miller, seconded by Sue DesRoschers (vote unanimous) to donate \$150.00 to Dial-a-Ride in memory of Helen Marinelli. Money from our COA members' Special fund will be used for these two memorials.
3. **Motion** was made to adjourn at 1:15 p.m. by Anna Smedick, seconded by Soni Speruduti (vote unanimous)

ALL COA MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

NEXT COA MEETING: Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 12:00 noon

Sincerely,

Ann Krupinski, Secretary

