

PLAINVILLE SENIOR CENTER COMMITTEE ON AGING

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Director Shawn Cohen, Chair Sally Miller, Sue DesRochers, Joan McBain, Charlotte Politis, Soni Sperduti, Brenda Tella, Tina Wishart, Rosemary Morante (Town Council Liaison)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Assistant Director Ronda Guberman, Marilyn Petit, Betsy Creswell

The Meeting was opened at 12:00 p.m. by Joan McBain

MOTION was made by Sue DesRochers and seconded by Joan McBain to accept the minutes of the June 10, 2021 COA meeting.

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE TREASURER'S REPORT was read by Joan McBain.

MOTION was made by Brenda Tella and seconded by Sue DesRochers to accept the report as read. Vote unanimous to accept.

THE SENIOR CENTER STATEMENT OF CASH BALANCE dated September 9, 2021 was read by Shawn Cohen.

MOTION was made by Charlotte Politis and seconded by Brenda Tella to accept the report as read. Vote unanimous to accept.

EXPENDITURES: Received \$2,500 for Dial-a-Ride. Driver enclosed in plexiglass-no COVID.

Going to buy a Nu-Step (\$6,000 plus) for fitness center to replace our oldest machine (20 years old) which cannot be repaired. Joan McBain made the motion and Brenda seconded. Unanimous yes vote to using Peak Center fees to pay for Nu-Step.

DIRECTORS REPORT

- A) Anna Smedick passed away. Motion by Sue DesRochers and seconded by Joan McBain to donate \$75 to Dial-a-Ride. Unanimous yes vote.
- B) COVID – wearing masks. If in a red zone for two weeks, must wear masks in all public buildings. Don't think we will be giving booster shots.
- C) Since Delta virus, attendance is slightly down. Offering programs on Zoom and hybrid. Some classes and activities are almost at pre-COVID numbers.
- D) Need a driver – will be posting position. Will need to fill two positions. Hired someone for the newsletter – Jeannette Brodeur. We have three full time people. Stephanie is very busy especially with COVID. Changes in Maintenance. Wayne is new hire. Dennis has left and Skip is working less hours. Bob is part-time. Jeannette fills in where needed.

- E) Update on Memory Café. Memory Café started in Europe for people with memory loss. Karen Pagliaro brought support dog (therapy dog) for our first Memory Cafe. Sent everyone home with dinner fixings as we are not serving food. Morgan, who was running Circle Group & Memory Café, gave notice. She has another full-time job.
- F) Upcoming – Refer to special programs in newsletter.
- G) Grandparent Conference – 14 towns sent grandparents from Enfield, Bridgeport, Hartford, Rocky Hill and places south of Bridgeport, etc. COVID style- Boxed breakfasts. Panera boxed lunch. Gave out gift cards paid for by grant. Woman from Andover thanked our program for full support, plus another woman today. Both had been involved for years. Wheeler speaker was great. Funding secure for next year. Did Zoom. Sally and Sue helped with registration.

MOTION was made by Charlotte Politis and seconded by Brenda Tella to accept the report as read. Vote unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS – Thank you to Town Council. Stove and dishwasher replaced. Floor fixed and new cabinet ordered. Meals program should begin in October/November.

NEW BUSINESS – NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN was made at 1:00 p.m. by Joan McBain, seconded by Brenda Tella and unanimously approved.

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 14, 2021

12:00 noon

ALL COA MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Sincerely,

Tina Wishart, Acting Secretary