

The Senior Citizens Commission held their regular meeting on Thursday, July 12, 2012 at the Senior Center at 4:15 P.M. Present at the meeting were members Pat Morianos, Maureen Johnson and Paula Friez; Senior Center Employee Alice Hare; and resident Cheryl Udin.

Call to Order:

Ms. Morianos called the meeting to order at 4:15 P.M. The commission welcomed the new Director of Senior and Social Services Jennifer Ochoa.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Mrs. Friez, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2012 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment:

None.

Municipal's Agent Report:

Mrs. Ochoa reported that the newsletter will be posted online, with the link being sent out via email. The newsletter will be mailed to residents that request it.

Old Business:

Update from Ms. Hare:

- Ms. Hare shared with the commission the statistics since April 19th:
 - 8 people have used the food bank
 - 3 of the 8 people came in twice
 - 1 of the 8 people came in three times

Ms. Udin reported that she did look into "Lifeline". Individual rates vary depending on different levels of service.

New Business:

Ms. Udin reported that some of the purchasing procedures have changed for Seniors, Inc. The town will be covering the cost of 10 out 12 meetings per year up front. Previously Seniors, Inc. would be reimbursed.

Ms. Udin commended Ms. Friez on coordinating many new affordable bus trips available to the seniors.

Upcoming bus trips include a bus trip to Providence on September 6th and a trip to Oakville in October. Mrs. Ochoa is expecting information on a trip to Sturbridge. The group reviewed what the cancellation policy should be for bus trips, however no action was taken.

The commission shared that a quilting group has started on Friday afternoons.

The commission discussed the possibility of starting up the snack bar on Thursday afternoons while school is not in session.

The group discussed holding an Open House in December similar to the one that was held in 2011. However, they would shorten the amount of time.

At the October Seniors, Inc. meeting local politicians will be invited to introduce themselves to the members.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Friez to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 P.M. Motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heidi Bolduk
Board Clerk

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