

**TOWN OF GRANBY
COMMISSION ON AGING
SENIOR CENTER/YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING
February 10, 2014**

PRESENT: Dr. Peter Barwick, David Blanco, Lynne DeMatteo, Karen Hood, Neil Kraner, Incy Muir, Dorothy Prior, Bruce Sullivan, Staff Present: Kerry Kielbasa, Director of Human Services, Sandy Yost, Program Coordinator

Dr. Barwick confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 1/13/14:

ON A MOTION BY Dr. Barwick, seconded by Lynne DeMatteo, the Commission voted (7-0-0) to approve the minutes of January 13, 2014. Bruce Sullivan noted there was an omission on the minutes dated December 9, 2013. It should be noted that Evelyn Morin is the Financial Secretary for the Senior Club.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

- Mike Lynch is the volunteer of the month for January for all his assistance with the durable medical equipment closet and assisting the Civic Engagement group whenever necessary.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

a. Sandy Yost, Program Coordinator

- The Valentine Dinner scheduled for this week has been cancelled due to the poor response.
- The fraud prevention workshop scheduled for Thursday will be rescheduled as the speaker is unavailable.
- A St. Patrick's Day luncheon is being planned for Monday, March 17th.
- Matt Ryan, a local cartoonist, will do a presentation at the next 'lunch for the mind' series scheduled for Wednesday, February 19th.

b. Senior Club

- The checkbook balance is presently \$4,758.95.
- The Club will support the community café lunch by donating \$200 for "extras", i.e. decorations, coffee, etc. Ms. Kielbasa stressed the fact that no food can be added to the CRT menus.
- The Senior Club approached Sandy Fleet of the VNA to see if she would be willing to give brief presentations on some of the issues she regularly lectures on. This would be scheduled immediately after the congregate meal in the hope to get some people to attend who traditionally don't come back for other events. She will be coming on March 6th at 12:30 p.m. to discuss hospice.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- The new valances are up in the community room. A plaque will be purchased to recognize the Senior Club for their donation toward both the valances and the new flooring.
- Sandy Flagg is the new congregate meal server.
- The NCAA grant covers funding for the Civic Engagement group and the Grandparent's Group. Ms. Kielbasa will reapply for that money but not for the subsidies for the dental clinic due to the poor response.
- The Senior Club was approached for assistance with putting a sink in the old Park & Rec office. The room will be painted and when the sink is put in, the dental and foot clinic will be held there.

TRANSPORTATION REPORT

- The new van should arrive around mid-March.
- A significant amount of money is saved by using the mini-van. As a result, Ms. Kielbasa is considering putting in a request for a smaller van in the five-year plan.
- Ms. Kielbasa is working on the CT DOT grant, which pays the salary of the full-time van driver.
- The vans have been inspected.
- A lot of trips have been cancelled due to the inclement weather, which will affect the statistics for this quarter.

OLD BUSINESS

- As discussed at last month's meeting, a member of the Commission will submit an article to The Drummer every month to get people interested in coming to the Center. Joanne Desrosiers submitted an article to the February edition. Dr. Barwick suggested students at the high school provide art work that can be submitted with upcoming articles in an effort to draw attention to them. He will follow up with the high school.
- Ms. Prior will follow up with Ms. Yost regarding the possibility of holding a talent show.

NEW BUSINESS

- Dr. Barwick suggested showing the film "Escape Fire" at the Center. It is a film directed at the public about medicine today in the U.S. Ms. Yost explained the Center no longer has a motion picture license. Neil Kraner felt this particular film may not be subject to licensing and Dorothy Prior stated getting a license may be something the Senior Club could support.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY Bruce Sullivan, seconded by Karen Hood, the commission voted (8-0-0) to adjourn at 2:03 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane
Recording Secretary