

**TOWN OF GRANBY
COMMISSION ON AGING
SENIOR CENTER/YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING
October 11, 2011**

PRESENT: Dr. Peter Barwick, George Bronsord, Karen Hood, Bruce Sullivan, Jack Vanderbilt; Staff Present: Kerry Kielbasa, Director of Human Services; Sandy Yost, Program Coordinator

Dr. Barwick confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 6/13/11:

ON A MOTION BY Bruce Sullivan, seconded by Jack Vanderbilt, the Commission voted (5-0-0) to approve the minutes of September 12, 2011 as written.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH:

Ms. Yost reported that Shirley Warn is the volunteer of the month for September for her assistance with the Dinner and Jazz event.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT:

a. Sandy Yost, Program Coordinator

- The dinner in September only had 40 people in attendance. The October dinner was cancelled because only six people had signed up.
- The Thanksgiving luncheon will be held Thursday, November 17th.
- The Holiday Luncheon will be held on December 16th.
- The 10th anniversary of being in the new building is next year. Ms. Yost asked the Commission for suggestions on ways to commemorate this. Ms. Hood felt it could be a way to promote the Senior Center and suggested a timeline of where we've been and where we're going. Mr. Sullivan suggested a photo wall. Ms. Kielbasa stated there are a lot of photographs from the years but staff does not have the time to go through them.
- Ms. Yost stated that the Windsor Senior Center has a program called 'seniors meet with staff'. She thought it would be a good idea to have the public meet with the Commission. This would allow the public to learn more about the Commission and the Commission could learn the needs of the public. This will be held prior to the next meeting: November 14th at 12:30 p.m.
- The book that was created for the 225th Celebration, Acorn to Oak, was printed and all of the copies that were taken to the Celebration were sold. Ms. Kielbasa complimented Ms. Yost for all the time and work she put into this project.

b. Bruce Sullivan, Senior Club Treasurer

- The Senior Club sold flower bulbs and cook books at the 225th celebration. Approximately, 11 cookbooks were sold. Although there weren't a lot of bulbs sold at the event, a lot have sold since. An article will be put in the next Drummer explaining that proceeds from the sale of the bulbs will help pay for a new floor in the community room.
- Dorothy Pryor is the new Program Coordinator for the Senior Club. She is scheduling two speakers to come to the Senior Center. One will talk about hospice and the other will talk about grief and the holidays.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Ms. Kielbasa reported that she recently finished two NCAAA grants; one for the grandparents group and one for civic engagement. The civic engagement program will include two community service projects per year and one will be intergenerational. The projects will be beneficial and visible to the community.

TRANSPORTATION REPORT:

- Van #9 is in need of over \$6,000 of repairs, mostly undercarriage and chassis. In addition, almost \$3,000 was put into it last year. The Department of Public Works feels it is not worth fixing. Some day trips will have to be cut back so the van is available locally.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Dr. Barwick suggested having people from other departments come to the meeting occasionally. He will contact Sue Altieri from the Assessor's Office about coming to the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY George Bronsord, seconded by Dr. Barwick, the commission voted (5-0-0) to adjourn at 2:30 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, November 14, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane
Recording Secretary