

Town of Montville
COMMISSION ON AGING
12 Maple Avenue
Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

Regular Meeting of April 4, 2013

1. Call to order

Chair Doherty-Peck called the meeting of the Commission on Aging to order on April 4, 2013 at 10:00 in the library at the Senior Center.

2. Roll Call

Present were Commission members, MacNeil, Geary, Skinner Ziegler and liaison Caron. Absent was commission member Jurczyk and O'Bday.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ziegler seconded by Skinner to approve the minutes for February 7, 2013. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Bills-

No bills. The technician has to re-install the lines for the GAP Program at the new Montville Public Safety Complex and he said they would cover the bill for the next year.

5. Correspondence

No correspondence

6. Remarks from the public

- 1) Shirley Zaccheo a representative of Eastern CT Transportation Consortum Inc. explained how they may be able to help provide transportation for the Seniors. She planned to speak individually with Doherty-Peck

7. Reports

B. Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Senior Center Director

- 1) Doherty-Peck reported that she submitted 3 grants. One Regional with Norwich and 2 grants for the Town of Montville. She said she is always looking for other grants that are available.
- 2) She reported there are a lot of activities going on in April at the center. A show with an impersonator, Older Seniors Dinner and a health fair in addition to all the other normal events. May will have the art show.
- 3) Doherty-Peck reported that the printing company they used to use for the newsletter moved out of state so they are looking for a new printing company.

C. Liaison Caron reported;

- 1) Liaison Caron reported they are working on the budget and he is trying to make sure there are no changes for the Seniors. He said the state is sending down a big cut and he doesn't know if it will affect the programs.
- 2) Liaison Caron said the Senior Safety zones are still being reviewed and not dead in the water.
- 3) Caron thanked Kathie and the volunteers for putting together many boxes to be sent to the military.

8. Old Business

A. Policies and Procedures

- 1) Doherty-Peck reported the Policies/procedures are done
- 2) Doherty-Peck commented on the Senior Safety Zones as well
- 3) Doherty-Peck discussed the need to get the word out for both the GAP program and the Chicken Soup Program. The commission made suggestions where to leave fliers, what groups to speak with and the possibility of the commission nominating a senior to be on the receiving end of the Chicken Soup program to get people talking.
- 4) Doherty-Peck explained the recent history State Department on Aging and how it was reinstated but not funded. Now it's funded and she will be working with the Dept. She said they acquired a lot of beneficial information from this group and she looks forward to working with them again.

9. New Business

- 1) Doherty-Peck reported The new Public Safety Complex is now open. She told us about a drop box in the facility for old prescription medication disposal
- 2) Doherty-Peck reported the Seniors will be taking a trip to the new facility and taking a tour
- 3) Doherty-Peck discussed an issue with certain members of the Parks and Rec commission. She explained it's been an on-going issue that we have all dealt with many time before but keeps being brought up. The Commission on Aging had sent past correspondence dealing with this issue. The two P&R Members feel the Senior Center should be available for Parks and Rec activities. The issue has been addressed by the Mayor (yet again). She feels the e-mails she is getting are hostile. It was determined that she should forward any future e-mails to the Mayor and ask that he handle this situation and continue to uphold the intent of the Senior Center and the funds used for its purpose.

10. Remarks from the public

No remarks

11. Remarks from the committee

No remarks.

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 motioned by Geary and
Seconded by Ziegler.