

## Commission on Aging Minutes, Unapproved September 20, 2022

Draft Unapproved: September 20, 2022, Approved November 15, 2022

To: All Commission on Aging Members

Re: September 20, 2022

Members Present: Claudia Giulietti, Fran Bartlett, Donna Levine, Joe Villano, and Delilah Dominguez

Members Absent: Deacon Ron Bicknell, Ameer Lunn and Kimberly Yates Carew

Guests: None

Staff Present: Judith Amarone, Director, North Haven Senior Center

- Laurie Feldman, Secretary

The meeting was called to order 4:15p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 on a motion by Claudia Giulietti and a second by Fran Bartlett.

The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 were approved on a motion by Fran Bartlett and a second by Joe Villano, with the following corrections: Donna Levine was misidentified as Donna Egan, and Delilah Dominguez was omitted from Members who were absent from the previous meeting.

### Commission on Aging Update September 2022

Senior Center-

In House Programs:

July 8 and 15-Movie Matinee- My Big Fat Greek Wedding Part One and Part Two

July 20- Ice cream social sponsored by Cigna

July 21- Make and Take Jewelry Making-Earrings and Bracelets were made

July 22 Clay Pot Painting – Watermelons Pot Painting

July 26- Q-Tip Painting sponsored by Hamden Healthcare Rehabilitation

July 28- Walk and Brunch: Warton Brook and Brunch at The Breakfast Nook

August 4- Walking Club-QU North Haven Campus

August 5- American Armchair Adventures presented by Hamden Healthcare and Rehabilitation

August 19-Movie Matinee-Jack and Jill

August 22- Rock Painting

Guest Presentations:

July 12-Living to Be 100

July 19- Cooking with Marisa; Dietician sponsored by Shop Rite of Wallingford

July 29- American Armchair Adventure presented by Hamden Healthcare

Trips:

July 29- Pride of the Hudson with Friendship Tours

July 12- Celebrate Italia at Aqua Turf

August 16-Tom Jones and Englebert at Aqua Turf

August 17- CT Lighthouse Cruise with Friendship Tours

September 2- Labor Day "Pot Luck" Craft Painting

September 14- Senior Center Picnic in Honor of Senior Center Month

Municipal Agent/Senior Center Update: July 19-August 18-

Assistance-in person/and over phone - 106 seniors/community members/families

Farmers Market Coupons 52 Booklets \$1,248 13 Booklets left

Training:

Eating Nutrition Elderly-Alzheimer's Foundation of America

Veterans Benefits-Assisted Living Benefit Training

Energy Assistance Training

De-escalation Training-Working with the Public

2 Referrals to DSS and No. H. Housing Authority

Case Closed on Three at Risk Seniors/Blight- 1. Couple was Placed in Nursing Home 2. Senior complied with Town requirements repaired toilets and running water.

Working in partnership with Town, displaced family, coordinated housing and meals-home was condemned. Providing support resources looking for alternate/ permanent housing.

Working in Partnership local church- Angel Tree, to date ten seniors have been placed on the list to receive a holiday gift.

Worked with Special Olympics of CT- Arranged for Instructors to be trained on senior Center Bocce courts. COI on file at Center.

Worked in partnership with QU Fall Clean-up for Seniors

Flu Clinic date set for October 27 12-2pm

Building:

Scheduled and Completed Annual Maintenance on Retractable Door-

Sewer Lines Replaced

Arranged for front tree to be removed and others trimmed before Winter-service will be provided by Public Works

Worked with QVHD 6-month inspection- 93 passing-Rated A. However, issue with rodent droppings coordinated with Non Tox and Platinum Janitorial to set traps and have inside cabinets cleaned.

Whereas I stepped down as the manager I continue to be an integral part of the Center as the point of contact for staff and seniors working hand in hand with Richard Monico who now the new Finance Director as well as overseeing the overall operation of the staff and building both here and at community services.

Respectfully submitted:

Judith Amarone

Municipal Agent for the Aging

Staff: None

Old Business: Since the Spring, the Senior Center welcomed 44 new members, and is continuing to look for new and creative ways to bring people back into the Center, post-COVID. The Town of North Haven has applied for a Grant to allow for the purchase of a new bus.

New Business: Joe Villano will be providing new signs for the Senior Center to promote the upcoming "Mini Holiday Fair" scheduled for November 28-December 9, 2022.

#### Housing:

Temple Pines recently received a Grant to make much needed improvements on the property. Wallingford Housing Authority is still overseeing housing in North Haven, due to the resignation of the previous Administrator.

With many rents at an all-time high, due to the current inflation, the need becomes greater for Seniors to find efficient and affordable housing. Temple Pines and Parkside Manor have currently suspended accepting applications. The remaining Senior Housing properties continue to have long waiting lists.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m. on a motion by Fran Bartlett and a second a Joe Villano.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 4 p.m. at the Joyce C. Budrow Senior Center, 189 Pool Road, North Haven.

If you are unable to attend the next meeting, please contact the senior center at 203-239-5432.