

**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**VERNON SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING**  
**VERNON SENIOR CENTER – 26 PARK PLACE**  
**VERNON, CONNECTICUT**

**September 26, 2017 – 9:30 AM**

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Chairperson Carole Slattery called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM.

**A. ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Chairperson Carole Slattery, Advisory Members Sally Geer, Patricia Iamonaco, Maryann Hopowiec, Roxann Lannan, and John Mytych.

**Absent:** Ron Kane

**Ex-Officio Present:** Edward Slattery and William Campbell

**Also Present:** Director, Maureen Gabriele

**B. PUBLIC FORUM**

Peter Gavarrino discussed the different state and town committees. He discussed how Vernon has the only Town over site. Mr. Gavarrino also indicated that he would assist the Vernon Senior Center with anything they needed help on.

**C. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

August 22, 2017

Roxann Lannan made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected.

Wes Shorts seconded this motion.

Motion carried.

**D. SECRETARY REPORT**

No correspondence received.

**E. TREASURERS REPORT**

Wes Shorts gave a report on the Treasury balance. The new balance increased by \$3.55 on certificate deposit (CD) interest.

Patricia Iamonaco made a motion to accept the report.

William Tyler seconded the motion.

The certificate deposit (CD) interest will be coming due in October and it will be discussed and renewed then.

The reports for the bake sale include the following dates: 8/3 (\$91), 8/10 (\$81), and 8/17 (\$154). \$326.00 was deposited into the account.

#### **F. COMMITTEE REPORT**

We are still on track to be in the new senior center by the end of the year. The walls are near completion. Wes Shorts will be working on the landscaping on the new senior center. Major fundraising is needed and will be further discussed.

Wes Shorts proposed a motion that the Advisory board create a committee, "Friends of the Vernon Senior Center", in anticipation of fundraising for the new Senior Center. Pat Iamonaco seconded this motion.

Motion carried.

In continuance with the new senior center, the Advisory Board discussed raising funds for minor additions. The dues for the Vernon senior center are currently \$2.00 as a lifetime fee. There is a potential increase once the new senior center is completed. There will be a table discussion for the next meeting in regards to this topic – October 24, 2017. Advisory Committee would like to invite Mayor, Daniel Champagne to discuss the potential plan.

William Campbell began to question the Bylaws of the Vernon Senior Center. Advisory Board writes their own Bylaws that is separate from the Town of Vernon. Ed Slattery also discussed the 1983 ordinance.

#### **G. DIRECTORS DISCUSSION**

Director of the Vernon Senior Center, Maureen Gabriele, discussed different ways in raising funds for potential programs and for the new Senior Center.

Maureen discussed the different color selections. Colors discussed were: Covington blue, Stonington gray, bleaker beige, Alexandria beige, and Yarmouth blue.

Covington blue and Stonington gray were chosen as the primary colors.

Motion made by Maryann Hopowiec.

Patricia Iamonaco seconded this motion.

Bleaker beige and Alexandria beige were discussed for the great room. Yarmouth blue was discussed for the bathroom.

#### **H. CHAIRPERSONS DISCUSSION**

Carole Slattery discussed the length of time the seniors were given for the BIG E trip. Certain seniors felt the time frame was too short. The seniors went on this trip Tuesday,

September 19 and were there from 10am-2pm. The Advisory Board would like to change the age from 60 years of age to 55 years.

Each member approved this age change; Needs to be discussed and take the steps in changing the age for participants at the senior center.

**I. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**J. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**Adjourn (11:25 AM)**

Advisory Member Iamonaco, seconded by Advisory Member Tyler, made a motion to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Received: September 28, 2017**

**Approved: October 24, 2017**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Roxann Lannan  
Recording Secretary**