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Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
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The monthly meeting of the Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee was held on May 22, 2018 in the NEW Senior Center on 135 Bolton Road, Vernon, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Ron Kane. Attending Advisory Board Members : Pat Iamonaco, Ron Kane, Roxann Lannan, Marianne Hopowiec and John Mctych. Also in attendance were Bill Campbell, Town Council Member and Liaison to the Committee, Maureen Gabriele, Director of the Senior Center and the acting Recording Secretary – Diane Wheelock. Absent: Wes Shorts, Carole Slattery and Ed Slattery, and Sally Geer.

Public Forum: None

Minutes: The minutes of the April 24, 2018 were unanimously approved as presented.

Correspondence: None

Treasurer's Report: April's report was presented by Director Maureen Gabriele on behalf of Wes Shorts.

Committee Reports: Bill Campbell, Town Council member and liaison to the Board presented the latest draft of the By-laws and Constitution. A discussion took place after everyone had an opportunity to read and review the documents. Minor adjustments to the corresponding secretary and recording secretary paragraphs were made relative to duties and board status and the language to follow the required FOI laws and regulations.

Director's Report: Maureen Gabriele, Director shared some of the concerns relative to rules changes regarding food, both food from events at the center, and food that is donated as surplus to the seniors to take home. It was determined that we should check with the North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) to determine next steps.

The Director gave an update on the plans to continue the development of the Atrium and the exterior of the Senior Center for activities. The open/raised bed gardens are on hold for now and when ready will have space provided outside the building.

Chairman's Report: Carole Slattery was absent – no report was given.

NOTE FOR JUNE:

(Nominations: To be presented at the June Board Meeting - The following Executive Board nominations were put forward.

Chairman – Carole Slattery (motion made by Pat Iamonaco and seconded by Sally Geer. Motion carried unanimously.)

Vice Chairman - Ron Kane (motion made by Roxann Lannan and seconded by Pat Iamonaco. Motion carried unanimously.)

Treasurer - Wes Shorts (motion made by Sally Geer and seconded by Roxann Lannan. Motion carried unanimously.)

Assistant Treasurer - Ron Kane (motion made by Sally Geer and seconded by Roxann Lannan. Motion carried unanimously.)

Secretary - Sally Geer (motion made by Roxann Lannan and seconded by Pat Iamonaco. Motion carried unanimously.)

Assistant Secretary - Ron Kane - (motion made by Sally Geer and seconded by Pat Iamonaco. Motion carried unanimously.))

Old Business:

The date for attendance at the Town Council Meeting to present Citations of Recognition to all those involved in the design, development and construction of the Center was chosen, June 19, 2018 at 7:30 PM Town Council Chambers. Wes Shorts will present on behalf of the Advisory Board.

New Business:

Ron Kane, Vice Chairman suggested that the old and new funding streams be discussed and development of fundraising options be brainstormed for a future meeting. Some of the ideas expressed at the meeting included: sponsorships, buy a brick, tree and bench donations, setback tournament. The topic of keeping the Friends of the Center and the Advisory Board separated was also discussed.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Pat Iamonaco and seconded by Roxann Lannan at 11:17 AM by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane Wheelock". The signature is written in black ink and includes a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Diane Wheelock
Executive Assistant
Office of the Mayor