

TOWN OF VERNON

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MINUTES

SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD

9:30 AM

135 BOLTON ROAD VERNON, CONNECTICUT Meeting is being held via ZOOM: CALL IN: 1-929-205-6099 MEETING ID: 886 0681 0210 PASSWORD: 1215 **DECEMBER 15, 2020**

Chairman Carole Slattery called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM and called the roll immediately after: The following members were present: Carole Slattery, Wes Shorts, Maryann Hopowiec, Roxann Lannan, Patty Noblet, Janet DiTarando. Also in attendance: Edward Slattery, Bill Campbell, Town Council and Maureen Gabriele, Director Senior Center. Missing from the meeting were Pat Iamonaco, Ron Kane and Bill Tyler.

PUBLIC FORUM - The public did not attend the meeting either in person or via ZOOM.

APPROVE MINUTES - The minutes of the November 17, 2020 meeting were approved as amended with a motion from Wes Shorts, seconded by Patty Noblet.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - No correspondence has been received.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The Treasurer's report was presented by Wes Shorts, Treasurer. As of November 1, 2020 the balance was \$40,835.62, bank \$585.00 and interest \$2.20 for a grand total on November 30, 2020 of \$41,422.82. The Treasurer's report was moved by Jan DiTarando and seconded by Roxann Lannan. Motion carried unanimously.

Following the Treasurer's report a discussion took place about some kind of thank you gift for the staff relative to their efforts due to COVID on behalf of the Seniors. It was decided to draft certificates on the Board's behalf to present to the staff at a later date. Financing a gift was also discussed. Bill Campbell and Wes Shorts will work together to discuss the possibilities with Administration and report back to the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - No reports

<u>DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS</u> - Maureen Gabriele, Director shared a list of December activities: Holiday Door Decorating Contest; Grab and Go will be up and running weather permitting, holiday bingo is planned as well. Staff is being very flexible in light of COVID and weather conditions.

AARP representative is working with the Center to see how best to provide the tax preparer services. AARP traditionally has levels of services. During COVID they are only offering –low level contact and – contact free. We will continue to work with them to provide whatever we can to assist the Seniors with their tax preparation issues.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - Bill Campbell asked if vaccinations will be provided at the Senior Center in the near future. Maureen Gabriele responded that it is too early to tell where vaccinations will be administered to the general population.

<u>ADJOURNMENT -</u> Wes Shorts seconded by Joan DiTarando moved adjournment. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully,

Diane Wheelock

Recording Secretary

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