

**Senior Citizens Commission
Regular Meeting March 7, 2017
Minutes**

The Senior Citizens Commission held a regular meeting on March 7, 2017 at the Senior Center at 1:00 P.M. Present at the meeting were members: Chair Paula Frie, Sally Tracy, Tina Giuffre and Corenda Haugh. The Director of Senior and Social Services Carrie Concatelli was also in attendance. Bolton resident Rudy Coialli was also in attendance. Members Helen Winkler and Cheryl Udin were not present.

1. Call to order

Paula Friez called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

2. Public Comment

Bolton resident Rudy Coialli stated to Paula that the Bocce courts need some maintenance. Corenda suggested it could be a project for an Eagle Scout.

3. Approval of Minutes:

December 6, 2016

Sally Tracy made a motion to accept the December 6, 2016 minutes as written, seconded by Tina Giuffre. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Municipal Agent Report

Carrie Concatelli stated they discussed the budget but news yet of what's going to happen with all the state cuts. Carrie stated she has been receiving many phone calls asking about different programs that are being offered. Carrie told the Commission she will have a booth at the Community Fair at Bolton Center School on March 17th to talk about all the different programs being offered at the Senior Center.

5. Old Business

a. Review of Recent Programs

i. Bereavement Programs

Paula stated someone has requested information about this program. Carrie stated she had dates in December, January and February and attendance was very low. She stated if there was interest she will set up future dates for this program.

ii. Gingerbread House Display

Paula stated everyone did a great job.

iii. Luncheon at Cheney Tech

Paula stated the event was a success

iv. Holiday Luncheon

Paula stated attendance was high and also a great time.

v. Lunch at Sofia's

Paula stated everyone had a great time.

vi. Flower show

Paula stated the show was lovely.

vii. Holiday Giving

Carrie stated the Senior Center and St. Maurice worked together to help 29 families. Carrie also stated that this year St. Maurice is going to be giving these families Easter baskets this year. Carrie stated next year she wants to get specific sizes and ages of the children in these families. Tina suggested helping families with household items. She stated she would find out some more information and let Carrie know.

viii. Cake Decorating Demonstration

Paula stated the demonstration went well and people really enjoyed it.

6. New Business

a. New Program Ideas

i. Women's Tea (annual event) May

Paula stated they have this event every year around Mother's Day. She also suggested a fashion show as well.

ii. Brunch in June

Paula stated this event was for Father's day but the event is co-ed. She stated a volunteer usually makes the breakfast and they will need to find someone.

iii. Senior Bus to High School Concerts

Corenda suggested asking Lori Boyd at the Bolton Board of Education for a detailed calendar with events and concerts that will be held.

iv. Meghan's Programs

Carrie discussed programs Meghan set up. Meghan is an intern for the Senior Center that is currently attending Eastern and is soon going to be attending Saint Joseph for grad school. The first program is on March 9th from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. called Cut the Cord. This program is designed to help people cut costs of cable TV, phone and internet. The next event is being held March 16th from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. called Energy Rate Savings which will teach people how to compare energy supply rates on your electric bill. Another great program will be held on March 23rd from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. called Self-Defense which will allow people to learn to be aware of the environment and how to protect them self. Another great program Meghan created is on April 6th from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. called Scams & Fraud; this program will teach people how to avoid possible scams and what to do if it happens to them. The last program Meghan created is on April 20th from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. called Fire Safety; this program will teach people about fire hazards, safety and what to do in an emergency. All of these programs will be held at the Bolton Senior Center.

Paula also mentioned Operation Gratitude sent the Commission a letter thanking them for sending 15 pounds of candy.

7. Adjournment

Tina Giuffre made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Corenda Haugh. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien
Board Clerk

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