

**Commission on the Aging
4 Brush Hill Road
New Fairfield, Ct 06812**

**Meeting Minutes
New Fairfield Senior Center
Tuesday July 27, 2021, 7:30pm**

Pledge of Allegiance

Members in Attendance

Anita Brown, Kathy Hull, Roberta Ilardo, Julia MacMillan and Maureen Salerno. Lisa Zustovich took the meeting minutes.

Motion to approve Minutes

Approve the June 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes- Anita made a comment about amendment to the minutes. Kathy Hull made a motion to approve the 6-22-21 meeting minutes with amendments as discussed, 2nd by Julia MacMillan, all in favor. **Approved**

Correspondence/Announcements

The Commission received a thank you letter from Jody and Bill Gemmell for their Senior of the Year recognition.

Maureen Salerno said that she spoke with Kathy McCarthy to see if she would like to join the Commission.

Old Business

None

New Business

Goals and objectives for the fiscal year 2021-2022. The Commission discussed isolation and outreach as important topics. Outreach efforts from the Senior Center during the pandemic discussed. Outreach beyond members of the Senior Center discussed. The Commission discussed inviting representatives from other community organizations such as churches in town, to see what they did/do for outreach. Maureen Salerno said that maybe they could see if church representatives would meet with the Commission at the Sept. meeting; the Commission will revisit this discussion at the August meeting.

Sub-Committee Reports

Housing- Anita Brown said she wrote a letter to the Selectman regarding the Affordable Housing Opportunity Plan (every town should have one). Anita said she spoke with Khris Hall who said she would contact WestCOG (Western Connecticut Council of Governments). Anita, representing the COA is going to speak to the Selectmen on August 12th regarding forming a Committee or Commission to come up with an Affordable Housing Opportunity Plan.

Senior Center Listening Session-Listening sessions can be in person now, next session scheduled for August 12th at 10am.

Taxes- No discussion.

Transportation- FISH (Friends in Service Here) of New Fairfield is still waiting on the IRS -501C. Webster Bank gave them a free checking account so now they can start receiving donations. FISH of NF is looking for volunteers, you can contact them @ (203) 312-5627, fishofnf@gmail.com, or their Facebook page, FISH of New Fairfield.

Senior Center Report

Kathy Hull- June Report - New members for June- 21. They had 75 participants for bingo. Average daily attendance for June was 35.

Public Comment

None

Adjourn

Roberta made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Julia MacMillan, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

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