

**COMMISSION ON THE AGING
4 Brush Hill Road
New Fairfield, CT 06812**

REVISED MINUTES

Regular Meeting

May 27, 2008

A regular meeting of the Commission on the Aging was held on Tuesday May 27, 2008 at the New Fairfield Senior Sunshine Center. Maureen Salerno called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Secretary, Laurie Busse, took the minutes.

Present: Maureen Salerno, Chairman, Cindy LaCour, Vice Chairman, Roberta Ilardo, Janet Loya, Katy Johannssen, Jeannette Sweeney, and Diane Giardina

Absent: Bob Alberetti, John Brennan and Kathy Hull

MINUTES:

Cindy LaCour made a motion to accept the Minutes to the March 25, 2008 meeting, 2nd by Jeannette Sweeney, all in favor.

CORRESPONDENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

A few Service Provider Booklet applications that had been sent out were returned to the Commission as undeliverable. Discussion followed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Summit Meeting April 5

The Commissioners who attended the COA Summit on April 5, 2008 discussed the summit. Everyone who attended agreed there was a positive atmosphere and there is a great collaboration between all of the area Commission on the Agings. Another Summit will be held sometime in October 2008. Also discussed was the OSHER Foundation, more information will follow.

2. Update on the New Senior Center

The Permanent Building Committee {PBC} has held several Special Meetings regarding the New Senior Center and it appears the leg work is in the final stages and building can finally start. The grant stipulates that certain requirements must be met by October 15, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Supportive Elderly Housing:

Tom Dube from the Lutheran Church held a meeting regarding what he calls “Supportive Elderly Housing”. Attendees included Maureen Salerno, Kathy Hull, and people from the community with various interests who represented various boards and commissions. A slide presentation was shown. The Lutheran Church hopes to create a private non-profit and to build “Supportive Elderly Housing”. They will apply to HUD for 202 grant money with the proper credentials. Tom Dube has been diligently looking into land in the center of Town. Discussion followed on properties in Town. Tom Dube was at the last BOS meeting to get the word out.

2. Senior Center Report—Tabled

3. Getting the Word Out:

The Commission discussed that people don’t seek out information until they need the information they are looking for. Many people do not know what services the Senior Center offers or what services are available to them through the Town Social Worker. The Commission discussed having the 10 most common FAQ’s run continuously on Channel 17.

4. Public Comment:

ADJOURN:

Maureen Salerno made a motion to adjourn at 8:25pm, 2nd by Diane Giardina, vote 7-0.