

WALLINGFORD COMMITTEE ON AGING, INC.
October 20, 2023
MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE: Karen Anderson, Anne Bernick, Evangeline Bourgeois, Tom Daly, Rosemary DeAngelis, Rocco DiGenova, George Duffy, Tom Finn, Jane Fisher, Alberta Flynn, Susan Gomes, Ronald Graziani, Tara Knapp and Bill Viola

EXCUSED: Steve Allinson, Audrey Grove and Glenn Havumaki

ABSENT:

President Tom Daly called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

President Tom Daly asked if there were any additions or corrections to the September 15, 2023 Secretary's Report.

Alberta Flynn made a motion to accept the September's Secretary's Report. George Duffy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

September 2023 Operating Account Report

Treasurer George Duffy reported on the three months ending September 30, 2023. Receipts are \$249,097 which is \$5,732 above the budgeted amount of \$243,365. Expenditures are \$246,923 which is \$3,559 above the budgeted amount. This results in a net positive of \$2,173.

Ron Graziani made a motion to accept the September Operating Account Report. Susan Gomes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

September 2023 Program Account Report

Program Director Karen Anderson reported that Club 60+ has 276 members with 252 having SilverSneakers or Renew Active. Total income for the month of August was \$5,094. The tag sale was held on September 9th with 32 vendors, 6 were from the SC, and made a little over \$500.

Ron Graziani made a motion to accept the September Program Account Report. Susan Gomes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Tom Daly asked that the Consent Agenda be accepted.

Anne Bernick made a motion to accept the September Consent Agenda. Rosemary DeAngelis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director

Executive Director Bill Viola reported that the Transportation Department is struggling right now with no drivers due to medical and personal issues. Two days this week we only ran one bus when we usually run 3. Dave handled it magnificently and we'll get some drivers back in the upcoming week or two. Another struggle has been the loss of internet with Comcast/Xfinity upgrading the equipment. It was a real problem when the internet was down because we couldn't access SchedulesPlus which we use to do almost everything here. Elliptical machines in Club 60 were fixed which cost about \$2,400 but we need to have the equipment safe and working properly. Also, the gutters finally got cleaned. I now have permission from DPW to hire a contractor to clean the area behind Lake View Café this year. It was a successful Celebrate Wallingford, despite the rain. Signed up 58 people. As of September, we've surpassed the number of members from last year as well as in programs. We will be having various candidates to the Center to speak before election. ED will be attending a meeting for the Local Emergency Planning Committee/Emergency Management Advisory Council to review emergency operation plans for the town. Also attending the AASCC Annual meeting with several others to receive the Outstanding Community Partner award for the Senior Center. Yesterday, we finally got the 8 new computers installed and now learning Windows 11. Will be on vacation from October 30 – November 3, returning to work on November 6.

Program Director

Karen Anderson reported that the car show was rained out but still had the dinner and entertainment. Lyman Hall Italian Club had students here to play bocce with our members. Had an End of Summer party with Cheshire Senior Center featuring the Coconuts and ice cream sundaes which was fun. Last night was the last Thursday evening dinner. The library tech connect program has been here twice a week to help with technical issues. They are mostly scheduling appointments to meet with people one-on-one. The Holiday Fair is on November 4 with about 45 raffle items with tickets on sale beginning Monday until the fair. There was a flu clinic this past week with East Shore District Health Department and they administered 104 shots. Will not be offering the new covid vaccine here but it's available at various pharmacies.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Audit Review

Tom Roy, CPA of Carney, Roy and Gerrol, P.C. attended the meeting to review the June 30, 2023 audit. Overall, they reviewed over 80 invoices and found all followed policies and no issues. Carmela does a good job. One suggestion is to look at cash over 250K held at the same bank for coverage (mentioned Key Bank). Some non-profits are looking at CDs for a return on money. Program revenue is coming back to where it was before covid. Stated that the Senior Center books and records are in good shape.

Tara Knapp made a motion to accept the financial statements as presented. Jane Fisher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Rosemary DeAngelis made a motion to accept the 990 as presented. Evangeline Bourgeois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Grant Update

To date, have spent a total of \$12,640 from the AASCC grant of \$19,000. About half way through the Covid and Grief support group budgets but have almost exhausted the budget for individual support. But we have

received the \$25,000 from the town ARPA funds to continue this service. People are loving the support group.

NEW BUSINESS

Long-Range Planning

Was recently reminded that the Long-Range Planning needs to be reviewed and ED asked for those on the LRP Committee to meet to review the progress. Distributed a list of what has been accomplished the first nine months of this year and there was a lot accomplished to date.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Tara Knapp made the motion to adjourn. George Duffy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth H. Johnson
Administrative Assistant