

Mansfield Commission on Aging Minutes
9:30 AM – Senior Center
Monday, September 14, 2009

PRESENT: K. Grunwald (staff), M. Rogers, W. Bigl, J. Quarto, S. Gordon, P. Richardson (staff), T. Quinn (Chair), J. Kenny (staff), K. Doeg, C. Phillips, C. Pellegrine, T. Rogers, John Adamcik (guest), J. Brubacher

- I. **Call to Order:** Chair T. Quinn called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM.
- II. **Appointment of Recording Secretary:** K. Grunwald agreed to take minutes for the meeting.
- III. Acceptance of Minutes of the June 8 meeting: The minutes of the June 8 meeting were accepted as written.
- IV. **Correspondence** – Chair and Staff: none.
- V. **New Business**
 - A. Annual Report: Accomplishments and Goals: members reviewed last year's Annual Report. J. Quarto and C. Phillips volunteered to review these in more detail and to present them at next month's meeting prior to submission to the Town Manager.
 - B. "Other": C. Phillips reported on the nominating committee. C. Pellegrine and J. Quarto will serve second terms. Will Bigl was nominated to fill Mark Ross' seat. His nomination was approved unanimously. John Adamcik has volunteered to serve as the representative from Wright's Way. W. Bigl will attempt to find a new representative from Jensen's.
- VI. **Optional Reports** on Services/Needs of Town Aging Populations
 - A. Health Care Services

Wellness Center and Wellness Program – J. Kenny distributed copies of her report from June-August. She reports that there have been many calls from family members for assisted living and home care. She announced that she will be retiring. J. Quarto moved that Jean be acknowledged for her service to the Town and seniors. She was recognized by a unanimous vote of the Commission and thanked for her many years of service.

Mansfield Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation – J. Kenny: no report.
 - B. Social, Recreational and Educational

Senior Center – P. Richardson distributed copies of her report for June-August. She noted some of the improvements to the Senior

Center, changes to the Sparks newsletter. She also announced that the Adult Day Center, Woodlake at Tolland, is closing. Anyone who is aware of space that they can rent is urged to contact them. Senior Center Assoc. – T. Rogers added that the change in the Sparks newsletter was a big accomplishment for the Association. They are deep into a bylaws revision, facilitated by W. Bigl.

C. Housing

Assisted Living Advisory Committee: K. Grunwald reported that there is no movement.

Wrights Way: John Adamcik reported that there is no longer a Resident Service Coordinator at Wright's Way.

Juniper Hill: no representative.

Jensen's Park: W. Bigl reported no new information from Jensen's Other

D. Related Town and Regional Organizations such as:

Advisory Committee on the Needs of Persons with Disabilities, Senior Resources of Eastern CT: K. Grunwald reported that Carol McMillan is now on the Board of Senior Resources, and would be a good contact for a representative to this Commission.

VII. Old Business

- A. Long Range Plan for 2007- 2010: Update on Action Plans (all): T. Quinn pointed out that some work was done on transportation. Please review the Long-Range plan and Mansfield 2020 and come to the October meeting prepared to prioritize and integrate the long-range plan with Mansfield 2020. W. Bigl reported that he and Carol Phillips went to a Town Council meeting to speak in support for building a new Senior Center as an element of Mansfield 2020. He is willing to chair a sub-committee with C. Phillips and J. Quarto to look at building a new Senior Center.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM. Next meeting: **Tuesday, October 13, 2009** at 9:30 AM at the Senior Center. Please note the change of day due to the Columbus Day holiday.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Grunwald