

# **Commission on Aging**

## **Minutes of the January 9, 2012 Meeting**

### **PRESENT**

Members: Laurie McMorrow (2014), Don Nolan (2014), Joan Terry, (2014)

Community Representatives: Emile Porier, Jan Scottron

Staff: Cindy Dainton, Kevin Grunwald, Barbara Lavoie

**REGRETS:** Will Bigl (2012), April Holinko (2014), Bev Korba (2014),  
Carol Pellegrine (2012), Joan Quarto (2012)

**ABSENT:** Sam Gordon

Due to a lack of a quorum, this was an informal meeting. No business was done.

K. Grunwald pointed out that the Commission members had received copies of the Mansfield Strategic Plan as it relates to senior services. We are asked to review this material and be prepared to discuss it at the next meeting.

A Mansfield representative to the McSweeney Regional Senior Center board, Carol Fineout, came to our meeting to update us on the state of that Center. She told us they will remain open and are hopeful that the Town of Windham will assume responsibility for the Center in the near future. Carol agreed to keep us updated on the changes at McSweeney.

K. Grunwald told us that it is time to review agency requests for the coming year. He asked for volunteers to review them and make recommendations to the Commission at our next meeting. J. Terry volunteered to review TVCCA's request and other volunteers will be recruited via email.

B. Lavoie distributed copies of the newly updated booklet At Your Fingertips. The booklet will be printed in-house and distributed as soon as possible.

The fact that no medical practice in Mansfield is currently accepting new medicare patients was announced by B. Lavoie. This is due to the changes in medicare payments received by the practices.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Terry, Secretary

**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\***

**The next meeting of the Commission of Aging will be  
February 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.  
in the Library (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) at Juniper Hill**

**Proposed Goals for the  
Commission on Aging, 2011-2012**

1. Continue to ensure that the needs of seniors are represented in the Town's strategic planning initiative.
2. Promote the development of a new Senior Center as a future initiative for the Town Council to consider.
3. Monitor Mansfield's Long-Range Plan for Seniors, with a continued focus on priority issues of senior safety, information dissemination, senior center space needs and health care needs including changing federal benefits programs.

4. Continue to advocate for the installation of a bus shelter at the Route 275/Community Center bus stop.