

APPROVED

Commission on Aging May 12, 2014 Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Will Bigl (2015), Sam Gordon (2014), April Holinko (2014), Bettejane Karnes (2015), Steve Kegler, Bev Korba (2014), Laurie McMorrow (2014), Don Nolan (2014), Joan Terry (2014)

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: Martina Wharton (Juniper Hill), Emile Porier (Rolling Hills)

STAFF: Cindy Dainton (Sr. Ctr. Supervisor), Pat Schnider (Director of Human Services Dept.)

Minutes – The minutes were approved with one correction: under-55 was changed to over-55

Meeting Place – After some discussion, it was agreed that our commission would return to Juniper Hill for its meetings as the senior center does not always have space for us.

Correspondence – April circulated copies of the highlights of aging-related legislation passed in the 2014 session.

Director of Human Services – Pat reported that Carolyn McAuliffe has been hired as the Outreach Social Worker and that Carolyn currently works Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Carolyn's experience includes working in a similar position in Norwich. Over 100 applications were received for the position of Program Coordinator at the Senior Center. Interviews with about 10 candidates will take place soon.

Senior Center Supervisor – Cindy reminded us that the Center will be closed the week of June 23-27. During that time major cleaning will be done and the dining room will be painted. The first evening program was held last week with 28 people enjoying a pasta supper and entertainment by The Troubadour. The next evening program will be July 3 with a magician and the final one will be on August 7 with a barbecue by Masconicare. Cindy also said the September is National Senior Center Month.

Community Representatives – Martina said there was a shredding truck at Juniper Hill recently making it possible for residents to safely get rid of important papers like tax records. She also reported that the residents have received a flag from the Marine group in Afghanistan who they have supported by sending boxes of goodies. Emile shared copies of the Rolling Hills Disaster Preparedness Guide.

Committee Vacancies – Six of the current committee members have terms that expire in September 2014. After a poll by the chairman, it was determined that Bev Korba and Don Nolan are willing to be reappointed but Sam Gordon, April Holinko and Joan Terry

declined to continue. April volunteered to contact Laurie McMorrow to see if she would like to be appointed to a new term.

Bus Shelter – Will reminded us that we have been working on getting a bus stop and shelter at the Community Center stop on South Eagleville road since 2010. He plans to make a presentation to the Council asking that a shelter be moved up on the priority list. We are all to make suggestions to a letter at our next meeting.

Budget – The chairman reminded us of the annual town budget meeting at the Middle School tomorrow evening (April 13).

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Terry, Secretary