

Commission On Aging

Meeting Minutes for December 6, 2022

Commission Members present: Gary James Kelly – Chair, Eugenia Perry – Secretary, Maria Potvin, Joan Gentile, Anita Morrison, and Maryann Larson

Absent: None

Guests attending: None

Meeting Called to Order: at 2:16 pm

Approval of Minutes/Secretary's Report: Eugenia read the Secretaries report from November and the Agenda for Today's meeting. Maryann made a motion to accept the report and Anita seconded.

Treasurer's Report: Gary reported that there were no expenses since last month and reported the total's in the budget accounts.

Old Business: 1) Gary reported that he will submit the 2022 Attendance Report to the Town Hall. 2) Gary reported on the commission visit to Riverside Health Care to view their latest medical equipment advances. 3) The cost of a re-usable Santa Claus suit to be used each year for the Christmas Wish List Program with Riverside was \$53.18. Anita made a motion to approve the bill payment and Maryann seconded the motion. 4) Gary motioned we make the very successful Christmas Tree Wish List pilot program an annual event and it was accepted unanimously. 5) Gary discussed the progress on the Town Wide Survey for Senior's and reported on the progress and documentation so far. 6) We agreed to donate some of the extra cases of soda from the Senior Picnic to the Senior Center. 7) Gary discussed the proposed changes to the budget making the Senior Picnic a separate line item that can be refreshed. The expense of the picnic is rapidly rising each year and we need to plan on the most prudent way to handle this. He will continue to discuss with the Finance Department and propose to the Mayor's office for approval. 8) Gary welcomed any new ideas for programs that we can provide to our seniors. He had preliminary discussions regarding the use of volunteers for senior related issues.

New Business: 1) Joan Gentile will be returning to her career and will be submitting her resignation to the town as a Commissioner due to her inability to attend future meetings. She will be sorely missed as she has been a great asset to the town and its seniors. 2) Maryann will continue to research a new program of listing or acquiring free used medical equipment for donations to those in need.

Opportunity of guests to speak: No guests attended the meeting but the Senior Center staff joined our annual Christmas Party (pot luck) directly after the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm.