## Services for the Elderly Commission

Minutes - Monday Month January 22, 2018

Time at 1:03 PM



Meeting called to order by Chairman 1:04pm Present:

Commissioners (7): Annette Caputi, Jean Rochelt, Art Mattiello, Raymond Aeschliman, Dora LaMere, John Silano and Gloria Novak. Alternates (3) Mary Ann Berlinski, Jean Magarity,

Staff: Director Joel Sekorski & Supervisor Sherry Cote

Excused: John Riggs and Winsted Rep. Candy Perez.

Absent: N/A Appointed to Vote: N/A

## **Public Input:**

 A Phone Call was received by Chairperson Novak by a member who has lost their Senior Center privileges. The former member was requesting the commission to consider reinstatement to the senior center. The case was presented and reviewed. The commission discussed at length. The commission unanimously decided to uphold the decision of the City of Torrington and the Elderly Services Director.

Motion to maintain the removal of Senior Center Privileges Commissioner Silano, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Mattiello. Passed all

2. Commissioner Aeschliman mentioned that a few lunch patrons were not attending meatless Fridays for congregate lunch. A short discussion addressing the needs of the program, diet mapping & holiday requirements along with the need for variety of meals offered allows for many different complications. The program recognizes that all meals are subject to personal preference and attempts to accommodate all request.

Approval of Minutes: Amended to reflect Supervisor Cote' was excused not absent from the 12/18/17 meeting.

Motion to accept the amended December 18, 2017 meeting minutes made by Commissioner Silano,

2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner LaMere.

Passed All

Announcements & Correspondence: Presented

Reviewed announcements and correspondence.

## Sullivan Senior Center Report:

Reviewed Sullivan Senior Center Report as reported by Director Joel Sekorski Motion to accept Senior Center Report made by Commissioner Mattiello 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Aeschliman Passed. All

Motions: Recommend that the City Council Approve the City of Torrington / Mayor to apply for the DOT 5310 Transportation Van Grant. The Grant supplies Funding up to 80% of the value of a Transportation Vehicle. The City of Torrington would fund the remaining 20%.

The assisted Medical Transportation Program has acquired necessary funding for this project.

Motion made by Commissioner Silano, 2nd by Commissioner Mattiello. Passed All

**Elderly Nutrition Report:** 

Reviewed Elderly Nutrition Report as reported by Supervisor Sherry Cote. Motion to accept Elderly Nutrition Report made by Commissioner LaMere 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Rochelt. Passed All

Old Business: None New Business:

• Special Finance Meeting Prior to January 22 Meeting 10:30am to 12:30
Minuet results from Finance Committee- Commissioners Novak, Caputi, Silano and Mattiello along with Director Sekorski and Supervisor Cote' reviewed year-end financials and accounts for the Senior Center and all grant programs in detail. The reports are monitored and provided by the City of Torrington Finance Department and accounting system. The accounts are primarily used and maintained by Sekorski, Cote, K. Palmer and C. T-Brown along with appropriate support staff in each area. All Programs and Grant reports are subject to annual Audits by responsible agencies and the City of Torrington Accounting Firm. Motion to accept the the reports Made by Commissioner Silano Second by Commissioner Mattiello

Passed all

Special Finance Meeting was adjourned at 12:37pm 1/22/18

A report on the Finance Meeting was presented to the full commission by Chair Novak. After Chair report, words of appreciation were given by the committee members to the staff responsible for keeping the books. Commissioner Silano made it a point that Director and Supervisor personally thank the individuals responsible for Reports for their excellent work and that it be so indicated in the meeting minuets.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner LaMere, 2nd by Commissioner Rochelt, Passed. All

Meeting adjourned at 2:58

Next meeting to be held on Monday, February 26, 2018 at the Sullivan Senior Center at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

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**Recording Secretary, Annette Caputi**