

**COMMISSION ON AGING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 21, 2018**

Attending: Patricia Burns, Presiding; Francis Burgweger; Carol Burns; James Dougherty; Steven Katz; Ellen Wolfson.
Staff: Lori Contadino; Laurette Helmrich.
Guest: Christine Edwards

Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes: Minutes of the January 17, 2018 meeting were distributed. It was noted that in the Transportation Report section in the third line "all" was misspelled as "al" and in the Administrator's Report section in the first line "being" was misspelled as "bing". With those corrections, a Motion was made to approve the Minutes. Seconded and Carried.

Nathaniel Witherell: Ellen Wolfson reported that Lynn Bausch, Director of Nursing, is retiring. The facility was downgraded from a 5 star to a 4 star which is still good. The issues causing the downgrade are easily fixable. The "Tower Area" will be renovated. The walk for Witherell will be held on May 6.

Senior Tax Relief: Kip Burgweger reported that the committee is reviewing the applicable State and local statutes and ordinances. The local ordinance expires June 30, 2019.

Friends of the Senior Center: The group is exploring a fund raising event.

Administrator's Report: L. Helmrich reported that training for the Total Brain Health program was held last week and that she is very excited about the program. A 100th birthday party will be held for Ruth Wilson on March 12. A new evening fitness class will be hld. There will be a fee as we will have extra costs. Events are being planned for Older Americans Month. The main event will be a 50's theme evening party on May 11. There will be a \$15 fee. It is hoped there will be 200 in attendance.

Director's Report: L. Contadino reported on Age Friendly initiative. A meeting was held with community leaders and town department heads to help build an advisory board. A meeting was held with the new Columbia University team. They are reviewing the survey to tighten it up. The survey will be distributed various ways to reach the most people possible. It will be distributed in paper version and electronically through the town website with links on various town department pages and possible through various outside agency websites such as Greenwich Hospital, Greenwich Library and the United Way. Other organization such as faith communities will be asked to distribute the survey to their members. A portion of the survey was distributed to the commission. Various suggestions were made. The full survey will be emailed to commission members for review and feedback

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Meeting: The next Commission meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2018.

MOTION: A Motion was made, seconded and carried to have the Commission go into executive session.

Adjournment: After coming out of executive session, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous motion at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


James B. Dougherty
Secretary