

**Elderly Commission  
Special meeting  
October 8, 2019  
9:30 am  
Oxford Senior Center**

**Present:** Hank Rotzal, Joyce Niestemski, Larry Morgan, Pat Babbage, Betty Andrews, Sue DeSheen

**Absent** Connie Koskelowski

**1 Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance**

- Meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer at 9:30am

**2. Amendments to the agenda: None**

**3. Audience of Citizens**

- None

**4 Review and Approval of Minutes...**

- The September meeting minutes were reviewed with a motion by Hank Rotzal and a second by Betty Andrews

**5 Correspondence:**

- None

**6 Municipal Agents Report:**

- We often discuss fraud and what to watch out for but we never discussed who to contact if you are a victim of fraud. So here goes:
  - 1. The Connecticut Attorney General
    - The office of the Attorney General represents the State in enforcing laws designed to protect the public from deceptive or unfair practices. It also helps with so-me consumer complaints. Contact the Consumer Assistance Unit at 860-808-5420 for file a complaint at [www.ct.gov/ag](http://www.ct.gov/ag).
  - 2. Connecticut Better Business Bureau
    - If you are a victim of unfair, deceitful or unethical business practices contact the Better Business Bureau. They provide support for consumers and businesses. File a complaint at 860-740-4500 or online at [www.bbb.org/connecticut](http://www.bbb.org/connecticut)
  - 3. Connecticut Department of Banking
    - Contact the Department of Banking for complaints involving financial institutions, mortgage lending and other consumer credit matters, security products and business opportunity fraud. Call 1-800-831-7225 or online at [www.ct.gov/dob](http://www.ct.gov/dob)
  - 4. Connecticut department of Consumer Protection
    - For complaints regarding a scam, unfair business practice or misleading advertisements contact th3 CT Department of Consumer Protection. Complaint forms are found on the DCP website at [www.ct.gov/dcp/complaint](http://www.ct.gov/dcp/complaint). Online at [dcp.grauds@ct.ov](mailto:dcp.grauds@ct.ov) or call the complaint center at 800-842-2649.
  - The above contacts are the most important contacts. Next month I will give you a few more for your review. Meanwhile don't forget open enrollment is ongoing if you want to change your Medicare insurance policy for 2020.
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**Director's Report:**

- As of September 12<sup>th</sup> we have 1123 members. We had 1967 event sign-ins during the month of September.
- **September Trips:**
  - motor Coach-Gettysburg with Raylin Travel-2 Travelers
  - motor Coach-Log Cabin Holyoke MA-We've only just begun-44 travelers
  - motor Coach-Mohegan Sun-trip was cancelled due to low registration
  - Motor Coach-The Big E- 52 travelers
  - Senior Center Bus-Jackson Cove for our picnic-3 riders
  - Senior Center Bus-Bell Choir to a performance at the Congregational Church in Oxford-12 riders
  - The trip to the SONo Mall was rescheduled for Oct 28 because the mall had not opened yet.
- **September Events**
  - Uber & Lyft presentation: sponsored by Visiting Angels- 25 members
  - Lunch & Learn-sponsored by Lutheran Home Southbury-32 members
  - Musical Bingo-sponsored by Wesley Village-19 members
  - Bingo-41 members
  - Foot Clinic-25 members
  - TEAM Lunch-two days-23 members
  - Hearing Screenings-3 members
  - Jackson Cove Picnic-91 members
  - Massages-4 massages
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**Vehicles:**

We transported 149 people, 16 of which were wheelchair bound. We completed 190 trips, 25 were medical, 40 to the center, 4 shopping, 2 recreational, 13 personal and 1 vehicle maintenance. We had to replace the battery in the van, \$157.95

The top seam on Bus #1 split apart. Just above the wheelchair lift door and the roof just split open. The repair was covered by warranty.

**Facility Updates:**

The work on the sump well has been approved by Selectman Temple. No date as to when work will begin.

Tai Chi and Pound Fitness classes have been suspended due to lack participation. We have tried to promote these classes, but they just never took off. I am looking for new ideas for programs.

I received an estimate for the repair of the patio ceiling from Xtreme Construction. If this committee agrees, I will send a letter to George Temple requesting a repair to the ceiling, Robert Hullette, our custodian has resigned for health reasons. A part-time custodian from Town Hall has been cleaning for us, but he can only come in the mornings. He does a fantastic job, but it's not a long term solution for us. I will be interviewing to fill the position.

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**Budget:**

Pat met with Jim Hliva to go over report

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**Old business:**

- Pat received bid from Xtreme Construction who have done work here before. Pat will sent quote to Town Hall.
- New coffee pot is working well
- Robert resigned and town employee filling in but will need to interview
- If someone cancels day before trip money is nonrefundable unless the spot is filled, it's the same with luncheons
- We may not need two laptops but will need new software programs.

10. **New Business:**
- .discussion on the choral group wants new vests. It was decided that we could not buy vests for one group and not others
  - Connie Koskelowski has resigned from the Commission as she is moving
  - Special needs kids come to help out and we well have them come to help decorate

11. **Other Business:** None

12. **Adjournment:**
- Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am with a motion by Hank Rotzal and a second by Sue DeScheen. Motion passed unanimously.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



Kathleen O'Connell  
Clerk

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*Angela A. West*  
TOWN CLERK