

Elderly Commission Meeting
Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 9:30am
Oxford Senior Center

Present: Eddee Witham, Joyce Niestemski, Sue DeSheen, Don Mayer, Betty Andrews, Heather Haney

1 **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 9:30am by Joyce Niestemski with Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer

2 **Amendments to the Agenda** None

3 **Audience of Citizens:** None

4 **Review and Approval of Minutes:** Motion made to accept minutes from meeting of May 10, 2022

5 **Correspondence:**

- A note was received from Ms. Charlene Yacovelli and the second-grade students from Quaker Farms School, They expressed their thanks to the Happy Hookers for making the adorable crocheted bookworms. Ms. Yaacovelli sent a picture to Voices for a future publication.
- We received wo notes with donations in memory of longtime member Marty Bryant from Susan Leeming and Sheila Kerzner. Thank you, cards have been, sent to both individuals.
- Received an email from the town's Administrative Assistant Kristyn Rosa, requesting a date for our annual bocce tournament with other town employees. date has been scheduled for Thursday, July 7th

6 **Municipal Agents Report:**

Hello Summer Welcome picnics, walks on the beach, warm summer nights, sitting around a camp fire, vacations that we haven't been able to take due to the covid pandemic and getting together with friends. enjoy, we only have a few months and before you know it, it will be Autumn. I know I'm such a killjoy! Sorry about that. LOL. Have a wonderful summer and enjoy all of the above and more!

No matter where you turn to nowadays, everyone is talking about scams. I know, I have written about this before but I do get so many questions about it, How can I get more money in My social security check, is this really legal and so on. Remember, chances are, if you are entitled to it, you are probably already getting it an if not check it out before you act on it. The summer is slow with news and programs so this month at least next month we will talk about scams.

Chances are that someone you know has been scammed.

They may not talk about if or admit it but the statistics are right, it has happened.

Imposter scams- You get a call or email saying YOU WON! It might even seem to come from a government official or someone you know. Whatever the story the request is the same, wire money to pay "**only**" the taxes or fees or to help someone you care about.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, and complaints they receive, the person calling is pretending to be someone else. STOP. Check it out before your wire money to anyone. Call the person, the government agency or someone else you trust. Get the real story.

Please report Scams! Report scams to the Federal Trade Commission, Call the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP(1-877382-4957) or you can go online: ftc.gov/complaint. Your report can help protect other people. By reporting fraud, you can help the FTC's investigator

identify the difference,. You can make a difference. In August, we will discuss another Pass it on Scam.

Everyone have a wonderful Independence Day and have a piece of watermelon for me

Director's report

Motor Coach and Extended Trips:

Englebert and Tom Jones-May 9th-17 members attended. No commission.

Menopause Westchester Theatre-June 22nd-46 travelers to date

Neil Diamond at the Log Cabin MA-July 28th-Trip full, 54 travelers

Camp Ladore, PA-July 18th-22nd-5 travelers to date

Camp Ladore, PA-Aug 8-12th-13 travelers to date

Boothbay Harbor, ME-Aug 22-24-trip full, 50 travelers

America's National Parks-Aug 20th,2022-12 travelers registered. This trip with Collette is currently sold out. 2 on wait list.

Penn Dutch-Sept 14-16th-32 travelers to date

America's Music Cities-Oct 16th, 2022-9 travelers to date

Caesar's A.C.-Oct 25-27-Three motorcoaches are secured, with one pickup in Milford and two in Oxford. Currently 123 travelers are registered.

Panama Cruise-Nov 6th-21st, 2022-47 travelers to date

Senior Cener Bus Trips

X-mas Tree Shop-May 18th-13 members shopped

OnRust River Cruise-May 20th-29 attended

Bowling at Lessard Lanes-May 23rd-9 members traveled

Goodspeed Opera-May 25th-9 members traveled

Programs and Events:

Mother's Day Tea at the Cove-may 4th-95 ladies attended at \$5.00pp. Collected \$475.00. Oxford Hills Catering cost at \$12.00pp-1,140.00. Elvis entertainer cost \$150.00. Dessert cost from Chavez bakery-\$486.00. Cost to center \$1301.00

Springtime Sing time Lunch May 19th-92 attended at \$15.00pp. Collected \$1,3080.00.

Caterer cost \$1,380.00. entertainer cost -\$150.00. Program cost to center 150.00

Roots and Branches-May 16&24-20 members attended at \$5.00pp. Collected \$100.00.

Used all money with no cost to center.

Somethin's CookingMay 11th-44 attended. \$328.00 was collected_and paid directly to caterer Elaine Marcucio.

Foot Clinic-May 10th-12 appointments scheduleld

Movie Matinee-May 26th-approximately 15 members_attended

Center Café Lunch-May 25th-54 members served. sponsored by Ehitney Rehabilitation Care Center of Handen. The first 50 members were_free. any extra money collected was paid directly To Elaine Marcucio.

Bingo-May 1125th- 105 members attended. Cost to center: \$105.00

Zentangle earring Craft Class-9 participants. Instructor cost \$100.00

Hot Dog Lunches we continue to serve approximately 40-50 members at each lunch.

Blood Pressures- 21 appointments with Housatonic Health Department for the month of May

Hearing Screenings-cancelled until further notice

Watch Raffle \$335.00 in ticket sales to date

Programs and Classes

- New hot lunch program. "Somethin's Cooking offered once a month by Elaine Marcucio has been very well attended and continues to increase. Cost: 8.00pp
- Free trial chair yoga class scheduled on May 18th had a great turnout. This class was offered by certified instructor Joanne Williams. Instructor was aid \$50.00 for

her services The class received rave reviews along with much positive feedback. we will offer this class the start of the new fiscal year. Members will be charged \$5.00 per class and pay the instructor directly.

- With the help of longtime member Lynn Chesinas, the center formed a new group called the "Scarlett O'Hatters. This group is **not** associated with the National Red Hat Society. This fun group has brought many new members to our facility and has been very much enjoyed by all, scheduled out trips, lunch dates and events are currently in progress. A separate accounting of funds is being kept in a receipt book in my office.

Vehicles:

- May 6th-2011 Ford E250 was serviced b New England Tire & Brake to have left rear brake light replaced.
- May 31st-The reverse alarm was malfunctioning on Bus 1. Repair was scheduled immediately and vehicle is now working properly. We have not yet received an invoice for this repair

Facility Updates:

- A new American Flag, POW flag and a state flag have been ordered for the center. Delivery should arrive this week.
- An appointment has been scheduled with CRF Inc. Interior Systems on Tuesday, July 12th at 7:00am to service the partition door in the main room. Morning exercise classes will be cancelled that day. Cost: \$1,125.00. (Parts not included)
- On May 24th the senior center alarm failed to set. Armed and Ready was called and came out on Wednesday the 25th. The system was tested and error messages to address and phone lines were reported. A low battery in the hold up key fob was also found. all have been serviced and are now working properly.
- On Monday, May 23 Heritage Water Company checked out device that measures water usage and found it to be defective. It will be replaced and will not affect the center water supply.

Senior Center Updates:

- This year the senior center did not participate in the Memorial Day Parade due to lack of interest. It was advertised in our May newsletter and reached well over 1000members. Only 9 members expressed an interest.
- The Verticle Church in West haven will continue to donate food items to out center on the first and third Tuesday of the month. A senior center driver will pick up and deliver to the center by midafternoon.
- We received a large donation of a great selection of new games from John Costello of Seymour. Would like to advertise and schedule a monthly game day beginning next month

Old Business

- Currently working on purchasing two new benches to be placed in front of the senior center for members to use. I would ask for some input and approval from the commission to finalize and purchase these items today. First Selectman George Temple would like to allocate the money for this purchase from the senior center's maintenance line item. Finance Director Jim Hliva will move funds around to cover the cost if needed.
- A date has been scheduled the second week in July to have our stove serviced and calibrated by Hobarts.
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Rae Bailey joined the meeting at 10:20

Budget-OK-New budget July 2022

Old Business

- Reminder for the receptionists to add phone numbers to sign up sheets

- People are still wandering into the kitchen when they are not authorized
- Tag Sale was a great success. Next year should have ending time at 2:00pm.

Adjournment Meeting was adjourned with a motion by Betty Andrews with a second by SueDeScheen.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen O'Connell
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TOWN OF OXFORD, CT
Angela A. West
TOWN CLERK