

MEETING OF THE
DANBURY COMMISSION ON AGING

October 11, 2011

Chairperson Estelle Zimmer called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

PRESENT: Charlotte Barrows, Neil Corday, Annemarie Walker

ABSENT: Jay Geib, Natalie Farrar, Mary Mazzucco

GUESTS: Ellen Seidman, Laura Switzer

STAFF: Susan Tomanio, Director of Elderly Services
Margaret Emerito, Municipal Agent

The Chairperson announced that since there was no quorum, it will be an informal meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Estelle Zimmer reported on her meeting with Town Clerk, Lauri Kaback. Ms. Kaback was very helpful and a great source of information.

Susan Tomanio announced that she will contact Melissa Adams to update COA website.

Charlotte Barrows reported on the progress of the new buildings on Main St.

NEW BUSINESS:

Laura Switzer was introduced as a potential new member of the Commission.

Estelle Zimmer announced that an agenda will be E-Mailed with the minutes in the future.,

Questions about senior volunteering agencies, CACD, RCVP, Volunteer Center were discussed. Problems with funding cuts, changes in programs and programs being in limbo.

Susan Tomanio reported that Senior Net is struggling due to low enrollment. A Sunshine Committee will be established to keep in touch with absent member of the Senior Center community.

Marnie Emerito discussed how to implement the newly created Hillside Food Outreach program. Who would assess the needs. The Churches role in this endeavour. The possibility of AARP members give a presentation at a COA meeting. Laura Switzer offered to contact agencies, such as Jericho Partnership, CACD to report their activities to the COA.

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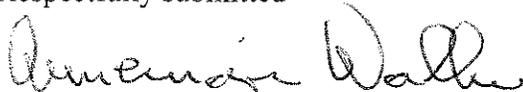
Estelle mentioned that the flyers for the Craft & Bake Sale will be distributed to various public housing sites. Also, Comcast will be contacted to air the event..

Charlotte read the Brookfield's COA mission statement. Estelle read a portion of Danbury's COA ordinance.

Members suggested that there be a suggestion box, also a questionnaire to determine the interests of Senior Center members. It was suggested that the Danbury Mad Hatter perform at the Senior Center. The Commission members strongly stated that we are not to enter into the social programs of the Center unless requested.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Annemarie Walker". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Annemarie Walker
Acting Secretary