

COMMISSION ON AGING MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18 2019

Attendees: Elaine Buchardt, Judy Knox, Georgia O'Brien, Cathy Palazzi, Ellie Skoog  
Guest: Karen Hunter

1. Judy called meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.
2. Pledge to Flag: Done
3. Cathy introduced Karen Hunter who was working with her on senior projects. Paula was unable to attend due to work commitments.
4. No public speak
5. No Additions/Deletions to agenda.
6. Minutes from August 19, 2018 meeting – Elaine nominated and Georgia 2<sup>nd</sup> – minutes approved
7. Old Business:  
Discuss and approve ACOA By-Laws. Georgia inquired if the two additions had been made and Cathy pointed them out. Elaine motioned and Ellie seconded. Approved.
8. New Business:
  - a) AES MOU/MOA – Cathy explained the seniors would not be going to the AES vacant wing. Discussion and questions followed.
  - b) Temporary Senior Center – Paula was to speak on this but in her absence Cathy spoke for her with the proposal Cathy and Karen Hunter had created after being asked by First Selectman Jeff Maguire. She said Paula had asked Wendy Kopp and Lucie Wilson to design and shop for furnishings for the room. A lot of discussion was held as ACOA members had difficulty in believing seniors would attend or be a part of this new idea and furnishings would not be used. Cathy explained there will be a calendar published in the Rivereast, Silver Lining, This n That, andoverct.org website and word of mouth at YAH meetings and senior luncheons. Cathy mentioned any furnishings we purchased would move with us to a new Community Building/Senior Center if one was built in the near future. Cathy asked if this project should be scrapped if there were negative feelings but the committee said to go ahead with project.
  - c) Trip Coordinator Update – Georgia mentioned December 4<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party at Georgina's and Cathy mentioned the invitation from AHM for a December 3 Pancake breakfast.
  - d) Hartford Foundation Update – Elaine said the meeting had gone well at the Douglas Library in Hebron. A good turnout from Andover. Next steps were to form a Selection Committee.

9. Next meeting will be held February 24, 2020 due to Town Hall closing on 2/18/2020.
10. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. Motion made by Georgia and seconded by Ellie.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cathy Palazzi*  
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