

Commission on Aging Minutes  
Monday, October 15, 2018

Attendees: Judy Knox, Cathy Palazzi, Georgia O'Brien  
Guest: Elie Skoog  
Excused: Elaine Buchardt, Sue Schmidt

Judy Knox called meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. at the new venue, Town Hall Community Room.

Pledge to Flag: Done

Chairman Knox asked for a vote to nominate Elie Skoog as an alternate to the Commission. Everyone accepted and Elie seated in Sue Schmidt's absence.

Additions/Deletions: Judy asked to present a letter under New Business.

Minutes from March 13 meeting – Georgia and Judy 2<sup>nd</sup> – minutes approved

Minutes from June 11 meeting – Georgia and Elie 2<sup>nd</sup> - minutes approved.

Old Business:

Cathy discussed reports on issues that she had emailed to Commission from the June meeting. She told the commission that we could not qualify for certification at this time to serve meals at the OFH since it had been discovered to have mold/mildew issues.

Georgia will move on creating a celebration for those in Andover who are 90+. This will take place in either May or June of 2019 and invitations will be mailed to those who are 90+ inviting them and their families. Perhaps we will have the town involved and serve hotdogs, beverages and cake. Cathy can type a certificate for each 90+ to receive. Cathy will ask Carol Lee, Town Clerk for her assistance since she is the chair of the Recreation Committee in town. Georgia said she had a meeting with Columbia coming up and will go over the details on how to proceed.

New Business:

Judy read a letter from Sue Schmidt resigning immediately from the Commission on Aging. At that point she nominated Elie Skoog to fill Sue Schmidt's seat and was voted on all to be a full member. Elie accepted and will see Town Clerk to be sworn in.

OFH/senior center is closed till further notice. The Town Administrator has had the Air Quality testing done and the report is very bad. The BOS voted to close the OFH/senior center and we will hold our meetings at the Town Hall Community Room till further notice. From the BOS meeting the Town Administrator was asked to get a quote on the cost of removing mold/mildew. There appears to be a discrepancy in the report at this

time. \$10,000 was the original sum given to Cathy. She has talked with the company who did the Air Quality control and the cost is approximately \$22,000 and that cost is to only remove the debris at the OFH at this time not repair or replace anything.

Superintendent Sally Doyen has offered the wing of AES to the seniors for the short time period until the Long Term committee can move ahead with building a proper community building to house the seniors. Cathy attends their meetings and will bring back any information to the commission.

Judy mentioned she would like the white tables moved to the Town Hall Community Room and Cathy said she would ask Public Works men to move them for Wednesday.

Georgis discussed the two trips remaining for 2018:

- Little Theater of Manchester on November 4<sup>th</sup> to see "*Kiss Me Kate*"
- Aquaturf on November 12<sup>th</sup> to see *USO Show based on Bob Hope*

Georgia went over the possibilities for 2019 trips as follows:

- LTM April "*Dream Girls*"–August "*Dixie Swim Club*"–November "*Mama Mia*"
- Aquaturf September–Music of Frank Sinatra's "*Come Fly with Me*"
- Goodspeed April, May or June–"*Music Man*"

Additionally, Georgia is thinking about another Light House trip to New London no date yet.

Cathy went over the dates of meetings for 2019 and put them on the calendar for Town Clerk. March 18, 2019, June 17, 2019 and October 21, 2019. It was agreed on if an extra meeting was required Judy would let us know.

Next Meeting is Monday, March 18, 2019.at the Town Hall Community Room at 11:00 a.m. following Yoga.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cathy Palazzi*  
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