Town of Montville

COMMISSION ON AGING

12 Maple Avenue Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

Regular Meeting of January 5, 2012

1. Call to order

Chair Doherty Peck called the meeting of the Commission on Aging to order on January 5, 2012 at 10:02 in the library at the Senior Center.

2. Roll Call

Present were Commission members, Doherty Peck, MacNeil, Geary, Ziegler, Skinner and Liaison Caron. Absent was commission member Jurczyk and O'Bday.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Geary, seconded by Skinner to approve the minutes of November 3, 2011 regular meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Bills-

No bills

5. Correspondence

No correspondence

6. Remarks from the public

No public present.

7. Reports

- A. Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Senior Center Director
 - Doherty-Peck reported that 650 food baskets were given out for the holidays and provided 535children with toys. Everything works on donations and volunteers. She said she has great seniors as volunteers.
 - 2) There is a new exercise program being offered. It's Aerobics and More. Mondays from 9-10 and it's a free program.
 - 3) Other grants were submitted for classes and she is waiting for decisions on them.
 - 4) The Social Services assistant will be retiring soon. The new mayor also changed the hours of the facility to Monday-Friday from 9:30-4:00. This department will also be offering a new program for a Job Bank. This will assist people in acquiring jobs in many areas.

B. Billy Caron-Liaison

1) Billy updated the commission on the efforts to purchase a new bus. The Director is trying to get a grant for a portion of the cost of the bus. The old bus needs to be replaced because it is no longer reliable. Billy is looking for other donations and informed the commission that the Senior Club has up to \$10,000.00 to donate towards the cost. The total cost could be up to

- \$85,000.00. Commission member Ziegler will work on getting a name to Doherty-Peck to purchase the bus through.
- 2) Caron reported the Senior Safety Zone was denied because it was attached to another bill. He said Tom Reynolds will reintroduce the bill. The commission voted and agreed to send another letter on behalf of the commission in favor of the bill.
- 3) Caron reported that budgets are very tight especially with the loss of AES Thames. He said we are unsure what will happen to the building.
- 4) Caron commended Doherty-Peck for all of her work on the baskets and food for the holidays.

8. Old Business

A. Nominations

- 1) The commission voted on the position of the Chair and Secretary. Skinner nominated Doherty-Peck to continue as Chair and Geary seconded the motion. Doherty-Peck nominated MacNeil to continue as secretary and Skinner seconded the motion. All were in favor of both nominations.
- 2) Doherty-Peck will e-mail all the changes and suggestions for the Policies and Procedures to all commission members to have prior to the next meeting in February.
- 3) Doherty-Peck reported on GAP. There are no changes and she will update us as things change.
- 4) Doherty-Peck updated the commission on the Chicken Soup Program. There are volunteers to deliver the items but no one has requested the service at this time. Doherty-Peck will introduce it on Channel 20 again. She will also introduce other programs as well.

9. New Business

Doherty-Peck reported the center has a 20 year anniversary coming March and she would like to organize an event for this celebration.

10. Remarks from the public

No public

11. Remarks from the committee

No remarks.

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 motioned by Doherty-Peck and Seconded by Geary