Town of Montville

COMMISSION ON AGING

12 Maple Avenue Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

Regular Meeting of March 4, 2010

1. Call to Order

Chair Doherty-Peck called the meeting of the Commission on Aging to order on March 4, 2010 at 10:02 in the library at the Senior Center.

2. Roll Call

Present were Commission members Doherty-Peck, MacNeil, Ziegler, Jurczyck, Geary, and Liaison Caron. Absent were members Skinner and O'Bday.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Geary, seconded by Ziegler to approve the minutes of February 4, 2010 regular meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Bills

No bills.

5. Correspondence

No correspondence.

6. Remarks from Public

No remarks.

7. Reports

- A. Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Senior Center Director
 - 1) Doherty-Peck once again mentioned that it is grant season and she is working hard on grants.
 - 2) The Senior Center Buck-A-Bowl Lunch program is going over extremely well; the seniors have been giving positive feedback. The TVCCA congregate lunch program has not had any reservations for the months of February and March to date and only had two for the month of January. If there are no reservations made for the remainder of March, she will cancel the congregate meals being offered at the Center. Doherty-Peck did stress the importance of TVCCA maintaining their Meals-On-Wheels program and how more time/effort should be placed on that so as there are no waiting lists for people to receive program.
 - 3) The annual Senior Expo will be held at the Crystal Mall on May 12th from 10:00 1:00 PM, and the Regional Event of Senior Centers will be held at Port 'N Starboard on October 1, 2010, with a USO theme.
- B. William Caron, Town Council Liaison
 - 1) Liaison Caron reported that he will be working towards a viable Town Budget.

- 2) Liaison Caron also reported that he is interested in the Town purchasing land to offer affordable housing for our elderly residents. He has spoken to Planning & Zoning about a certain parcel of land and other possible options. He will keep us informed.
- C. Janet Eccleston, Club President No report.
- D. Report from Chair
 - 1) Doherty-Peck reported that the computer class will work on a compiling a list of email addresses from seniors that would want to receive our newsletter and info on programs and events we have coming up at the Center via email.

8. Old Business

- A. GAP Doherty-Peck reported that she had met again with the Mayor, Deputy Fire Marshal and IT person about the GAP Program. It was discussed that the system belongs in and emergency response office, not the senior center, and that Sergeant Collins had offered to have it placed at the Police Barracks. Doherty-Peck and Deputy Fire Marshal Schaeffer went to meet with Sergeant Collins and he stated he has everything needed to have the system placed in his office with the printer placed directly in dispatch. Hopefully the system will be moved quickly and up and running. Members can continue to distribute applications.
- B. Commission on Aging Chicken Soup Program Discussed the safety factor with the Mayor who suggested that the children involved would deliver in pairs. The Commission members had already secured a number of participants from the community to contribute to the program. It was discussed that each member work on the guidelines needed for the program and bring back next meeting. Issues such as: how many times a person can receive from the program, etc. need to be addressed.
- C. Workshop our next Commission on Aging Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27th at 2:00 PM at the Center. Our speakers are Sergeant Collins and Lieutenant Bunnell to discuss the Montville Police Safe Return Program. Also, each member was asked to come up with possible topics / speakers for our next workshop.
- D. Discussion was held at last meeting to add to our mail out list for newsletter; three larger churches in town have been added. Along with the email address compilation to take place in the near future.

9. New Business

A. Doherty-Peck had read in the Parks & Rec Commission minutes that they did not have anyone to take over the Memorial Day Parade and brought to the Commission on Aging a discussion on whether or not this is something we would like to undertake if possible. Member Geary said he had received a card that Carol Lathrop was going to continue to run the parade again this year. Members asked Councilor Caron to speak with Carol about this and possibly how the Commission could help and/or what the future of the parade would entail.

10. Remarks from Commission Members, Liaison

No remarks.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Geary, seconded by Zeigler to adjourn at 10:50 AM. Motion carried.