

Town of Montville  
**COMMISSION ON AGING**  
12 Maple Ave.  
Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

February 7, 2024 – Meeting Minutes

---

1. Call to order  
Commission Meeting of February 7, 2024 was called to order at 10:01 A.M. in the library at the Senior Center.
2. Roll call  
Present were commission members: Ziegler, Doherty-Peck, Skinner, Taylor, Perkins, Lt Radford and Liaison Caron.  
Absent with cause: Adams and Murphy
3. Approval of minutes  
A motion was made to approve the minutes of the previous meeting by Lt. Radford and seconded by Skinner. All in favor.
4. Approval of the bills  
None
5. Correspondence  
Council appointment of Mrs. Karen Perkins and Council reappointment of Mr. Lou Ziegler to the Commission. Town Clerk provided Doherty-Peck with the correct protocol for changing of dates and times of meetings.
6. Remarks from the public  
None
7. Introduction of Speaker  
None
8. Reports  
Doherty-Peck – discussed issues that many of our seniors are experiencing in our elderly housing complexes and is looking for avenues to help them; she discussed that she is preparing for four grant audits that are coming up soon and they are very intricate and consuming but the grants are needed and greatly utilized. Doherty-Peck also reported that the membership to the Senior Center is growing rapidly, which is obviously due to the growing population. Lastly, Doherty-Peck reported that she is hopeful to have a full-time programmer soon. Most senior centers have programmers and though she has been wearing that hat since her start of employment, with the growing number of seniors and her vision of maintaining everything for free for our seniors, the need for a programmer is essential at this time.  
  
Lt Radford Report – Lt. Radford reported some of the new scams that are out there as well as some of the old ones, which are out targeting seniors again. Lt. Radford reported some changes as the Police Department. Discussion ensued on a “field trip” day for the seniors to have a tour. Lt. Radford stated that he would collaborate with Doherty-Peck on a day for him to give a speak to the seniors regarding scams as well as working with our IT Department to talk to seniors about on-line scams.  
  
Council Liaison Report – reported that our Town Planner has moved on to a new position but will help the town with programs in the works and for the future. He stated that he is working with the Town ARPA funding to ensure that the funds are being utilized to the best possible means. Liaison Caron also stated that we have a “hands on” Mayor and he is working hard to be there for all of our residents. Liaison Caron is also working on trying to bring more elderly housing, both low income and affordable, to the Town of Montville as he is very much aware of the need, with this fastest growing population. He is working closely with State Representatives to include Montville on all accounts; this includes funding, housing, etc.
9. Old Business  
Discussion on our Home Care issues, Ziegler suggested possibly going to the newspaper and have them do a story and contacting State Ombudsman Program to discuss.

10. New business

Perkins discussed the need for more elderly housing in Town and the need to provide a safe and “true” elderly housing for our seniors; including the need of overseeing and enforcing the safety of elderly housing complexes. She also added the tour of our Fire Houses and the Meet & Greet of our Firemen along with our Police Department. Doherty-Peck will schedule a Meet & Greet with our Police Officers as well as our Emergency Response and Fire Department and volunteers.

Motion was made by Ziegler, seconded by Radford to change the regular meeting Commission meeting days to Wednesdays at 10:00 AM. All in favor.

Motion was made by Doherty-Peck, seconded by Perkins to change the regular January meeting day from the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Wednesday of the month to the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Wednesday of the month. All in favor.

11. Remarks from the Public

None

12. Remarks from the Commission

None

13. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn meeting at 11:03 A.M. Motion by Radford, seconded by Perkins. All in favor.