Town of Montville

COMMISSION ON AGING REGULAR MEETING MINUTES November 6, 2024 | 5:00 p.m. Montville Senior Center – Library

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Acting Chair Perkins at 9:00 a.m., followed by The Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Perkins, O'Brien, Suarez; Liaison Caron **Absent with Prior Notice**: Chair Doherty-Peck; Commissioners Ziegler and Adams; and Liaison Radford

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve October 2024 Minutes by Commission Liaison Caron, seconded by Acting Chair Perkins. Voice Vote: 4-0, All in Favor Action: Motion Carried

- **4.** REMARKS FROM PUBLIC (*Regarding items on the Agenda with three-minute limit*)
 - None

5. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

a. Liaison Caron

- Plans for acquiring Elderly Housing in Montville are temporarily on hold due to a vacancy in the Planner position. However, with the new election, Montville has five representatives. He will seek their support, as well as maintain communication with Senator Osten. The Mayor is pressing to fill the Planner position which realistically may take time as the market is very scarce.
- A biannual Operations audit is underway in all departments and all budgets, including the Senior and Social Services Department.
- Referendum for the Bond Resolution for the Road Improvement Program overwhelmingly passed in Montville Tuesday, November 5. The remaining funds from the previous Bond will include asphalt milling of Maple Avenue, a junction to elderly housing on Milefski Drive. Discussion: Acting Chair Perkins and Commissioner O'Brien noted a change from the usual public response of rejecting major funding projects to an overwhelming approval of the Referendum for Road Improvement. They suggested that effective media communication could increase public awareness, thereby achieving positive outcomes in the future. O'Brien suggested that it may be more cost-effective to use the Community booklet or Montville Times than the current \$10K expenditure using the local newspaper medium.

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6. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS

a. Unfinished $\mbox{Business}-None$

b. New Business

- Bylaws Article IV Section 1, Meetings: Commission needs to update the Bylaws to reflect "the first Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m." for the 2025 calendar of meetings. Tabled for next meeting.
- 7. REMARKS FROM PUBLIC None

8. REMARKS FROM COMMISSIONERS – None

9. ADJOURN

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Commission Liaison Caron, seconded by Acting Chair Perkins. Voice vote: 4-0, All in Favor Action: Motion Carried_Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Deb Suarez, Secretary for the Commission on Aging Cc: Commission File