

Town of Montville
COMMISSION ON AGING
12 Maple Avenue
Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

1. Call to order
Chair Doherty-Peck called the meeting of the Commission on Aging to order on January 6, 2010 at 10:00 in the library at the Senior Center.
2. Roll Call
Present were Commission members Doherty-Peck, MacNeil, Skinner, Geary, Ziegler, Jurczyk and liaison Caron. Absent was commission member O'Bday,
3. Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Geary, seconded by Skinner to approve the minutes of November 4th, 2010 regular meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Approval of Bills
No bills.
5. Correspondence
Letter from the Council dated November 22nd regarding the re-interview of member Mari Jurczyk
6. Remarks from the public
Carrie Jacobson is an Editor for an On line news paper called Patch. Jacobson encouraged us to go to the site and report any stories, programs and events. She said it's very user friendly and it's free.
7. Reports
 - A. Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Senior Center Director
 - 1) Doherty-Peck Talked about year end holiday events. She said they made 625 food baskets and 400 toy baskets. She said the seniors took the responsibility of putting all the baskets together. It was a great success. This month she will be sending 200 thank you cards for all the volunteers and contributors for the basket program.
 - 2) Doherty-Peck reported that it's budget season and she plans to try to cut as many line items as possible without cutting services.
 - 3) Doherty-Peck reported they are offering a new Zumba Gold program for Latin style exercise. She was concerned only a few would turn out but reported 40 participants following the exercise program and they all enjoyed it. It will continue on Tuesdays at 1:00.
 - 4) Doherty-Peck said none of the grant requests have come back yet but she expects them by month end. She said Pfizers has a program that they will match a % of the volunteer hours a former employee puts in at a location in the way of a grant. Kathy is hoping to get \$1000.00 from two former Pfizer employers who volunteer at the center.

- 5) Doherty-Peck suggests we plan to request the same amount in the budget for the Commission On Aging which has been \$100.00. She felt we did not need to increase it this year, though if we decide we need to, she would be willing to address it with the council. The commission voted on it and Geary motioned to approve the \$100.00 budget and Skinner 2nd the motion.
- 6) Liaison Bill Caron thanked Kathy for all her efforts on the holiday baskets. He said it was a great success and people were very appreciative. He also reported that there were a lot more volunteers this year. Caron discussed the budget and how it will be a tough year for not only Montville but for the state. He said he will try not to cut out any services. He said the Senior Center ice machine has been down almost daily but they finally got a donation of \$2500.00 from Charter Oak. Kathie will be out shopping for a good deal on a new machine.

8. Old Business

A. Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Commission Chair

1) Discussed the chicken soup program and made suggestions on changes that should be made to the original sign up form. MacNeil took those notes and will make the changes and bring the new copy to the February meeting to be voted on. The commission also discussed having a release made for the volunteers of the program as well as the recipients. Doherty-Peck has a release that was used in the past for another program and she will make the necessary changes so the same release can be used. It was also suggested that identification be given to the volunteers so the recipients can identify them and allow them to make the delivery. Doherty-Peck said she has badges that the volunteers can use. Geary suggested the sign up form be placed on the Town of Montville letter head. Kathie will also contact Sergeant Collins to ask for their participation in the February meeting and ask him about a background check on volunteers for safety purposes.

B. Policies and procedures –

1) Jurczyk is looking at other town policies and procedures.

C. Town Charter update-

1) Geary is working on Charter rules and regulations. A Copy of the original rules and regulations would be helpful but Geary is wondering if they were ever written for the commission. He said we would need a public hearing to make any changes.

9. New Business

No new business

10. Remarks from the public

No remarks

11. Remarks from the commission members, Liaison

No remarks

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:50

8. Adjourned

Motion by Geary and seconded by Skinner to adjourn at 10:45 AM. Motion carried.