

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

1. Call to order
Vice-Chair MacNeil called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. on April 4, 2018 in the library at the Senior Center.
2. Roll call
Present were commission members: Taylor, Ziegler, Skinner, Liaison Pollard and Police Liaison Lt Bunnell. Absent with cause: Members Adams, Doherty, and Doherty-Peck.
3. Approval of minutes
A motion was made to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2018 by Ziegler and seconded by Taylor. All in favor.
4. Approval of the bills
None
5. Correspondence
None
6. Remarks from the public
None
7. Introduction of speaker-Janice Gibson. Gibson discussed agencies that are licensed or registered. She advised us to go to Department of Public Health for more information. She discussed supervision and nursing oversight. She said the state has concerns about oversight but are not stepping in due to the costs. Employees are getting more background checks which is helping agencies get more qualified help. Gibson advised that even with a caregiver a family member should be involved making sure they are getting the best care. If they are getting 24 hour care, she suggested splitting the time between two caregivers to be certain the proper care is given. She said Protective services can get involved when there is a health risk such as refusing to take medications. But she said that department is very busy and understaffed. Regardless she recommended “if you see something, say something”. Skinner asked how to get the regulations updated and Gibson said they don’t need to be updated. She said calls need to be made to make the state aware of any issues. There was discussion on Health Fair and these types of agencies represented and publicity to include families.
8. Reports
 - A.
No reports from the Chair
 - B.

Liaison Pollard suggested a letter be written to Companions and Homemakers as well as Masonicare come to speak to Commission in May or June.

C.

Lt. Bunnell stated he would like to provide information on Scams by phone or the Internet to seniors.

9. Old Business

A. State budget is good until July

B. Speaker discussed home health care

9. New Business

A. There was no new business at this time.

10. Remarks from the public

No public

11. Remarks from the commission

No remarks

12. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 by Bunnell and seconded Taylor. All in favor.