Town of Montville COMMISSION ON AGING

12 Maple Ave.

Uncasville, Connecticut 06382

1. Call to order

Chair Doherty-Peck called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. on April 3, 2019 in the library at the Senior Center.

2. Roll call

Present were commission members: Doherty-Peck, Doherty, Skinner, Taylor, Ziegler and Adams and Liaison Pollard and Liaison Lt. Radford. Absent: with cause McNeil

3. Approval of minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2019 meeting by Ziegler and seconded by Adams. All in favor.

4. Approval of the bills

None

5. Correspondence

None

6. Remarks from the public

None

7. Introduction of Speakers

State Representative Kathleen McCarty

Representative McCarty spoke to the commission on various budget topics that are being worked on at the current time. She mentioned the broad view of education; health; and taxes that all can affect the senior population. Transportation is also an issue for seniors. She also spoke about the proposed bill No. 5063 that would require background checks of all persons hired to care for elderly persons in their homes and the Volunteer Resident Advocates program that has dwindled down. She is working with Senator Osten to increase the numbers of volunteers in this program. Lastly, she reached out to Deb Hoyt from DPH to ask if she would come to a Commission on Aging meeting in the future to address the concerns of the commission in regards to Home Healthcare agency hiring and education processes and how the DPH oversees these agencies.

8. Reports

Kathleen Doherty-Peck, Senior Center Director

The technology course which involves high school students sitting with seniors and educating the seniors on how to use the various apps on their cell phones has been very successful. Twenty to thirty seniors have been enjoying this new class. The class now will meet on Wednesdays at 2:45 p.m. A meditation class will be starting this week and April 12th is the Health Fair.

Social Services and the High School will have the Prom Closet Brunch and Fashion Show on April 28th.

Kathy Pollard, Town Council Liaison She will continue to correspond back and forth with State Representative McCarty.

9. Old Business

Doherty reached out to Angelcare to reschedule Kathleen as a speaker at a Commission on Aging meeting.

10. New Business

None

11. Remarks from the Public

No public

12. Remarks from the Commission

None

13. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 a.m. by Ziegler and seconded by Skinner. All in favor.

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