

Regular Meeting
Commission for Elderly Services
April 10, 2014

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Commissioners Present

Chairman James Hubbard
ViceChairman Grace Forbes

Comm. Louis Bartolotta
Comm. Se E. Behun
Comm.Rene Caisse
Comm. Marcia J. Dobrowski
Comm. Diane Stroman (tardy)

Call to Order:

Chairman Hubbard called the Commission for Elderly Services Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Doyle Senior Center, Ansonia, CT. All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The clerk took a roll call attendance and a quorum was declared.

Consideration of Previous Minutes:

Ms. Forbes made the motion to accept the minutes as they had been submitted and Mrs. Behun 2nd the motion. The motion passed.

Corrections:

There were no corrections to the minutes.

Public Session:

Chairman Hubbard calls the Public Session to order asking three times if there was anyone wishing to speak. As there wasn't anyone from the public, the public session was closed.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

No treasurer's report.

Commissioners Absent

Comm. Pauline Sampieri
Sec/Tre Elizabeth Wojciechowski

Others Present

Director Mary Deptula

Director's Report: Since the new year, there are fifteen new members. There has been a spring cleaning of old items that have not been used in the past. The items have been taken away by Public Works. The current equipment closet has now been able to be better organized and is locked.

Assistant Director Mr. Kolalowski has been booking several upcoming trips for the membership.

Ms. Deptula has met with BOAT regarding the budget, and there was a 2nd meeting later in the month. (See attached report)

She has had the windows measured for blinds, the order will be placed.

She also added that she has been attempting to communicate with the current grant writer regarding the availability of securing grants for the center, and is still waiting for a response.

A motion was made by Mr. Caisse and 2nd by Ms. Forbes to accept the Director's Report. The motion passed.

Finance Report:

A motion was made by Mr. Caisse and 2nd by Mr. Bartolotta to table the expense report until next month. The motion passed.

Communications:

A letter (see attached) was received from the Charter Revision Commission dated March 27, 2014 requesting suggestions for changes to the charter by submitted by May 1, 2014.

Late Communications:

None have been received.

Unfinished Business:

A membership report is to be completed to identify members by single, couple, town of residence. Currently there are 330 members listed. Ansonia residents pay dues of \$5.00 per year and out of town pay \$6.00 per year.

A discussion was held addressing the salary line item in the 2013-2014 budget. The request will be to transfer from the salary line to the equipment line. Ms. Deptula will create a list with costs of items that are needed for the center.

A motion was made by Mrs. Stroman 2nd by Mrs. Dobrowski. The motion passed. "to send a letter to the Board of Aldermen, BOAT, and Mayor Cassetti requesting \$7,000 from the salary line item to be transferred to the equipment line item. Ms. Deptula will attach a list of badly needed furnishings to be replaced with prices for the new furnishings."

When Ms. Deptula went before BOAT to discuss the budget an outside sign was mentioned. BOAT members suggested she go to either the Boy Scouts or Emmitt O'Brien High School for the student to make the sign in the carpentry shop. This suggestion will be looked into for a fall project.

New Business:

Discussion for changes to Section 2-123 (b), and to Section 2-124 (a&b) took place, and were agreed upon. Mr. Hubbard will submit the changes suggested.

Mr. Hubbard reported that he attended a Freedom of Information Overview sponsored by the City of Ansonia on April 1, 2014. He then distributed a packet from the overview to each commission member.

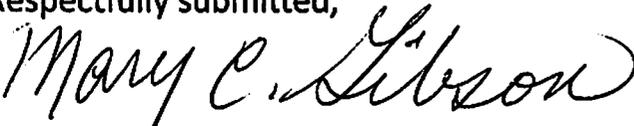
Date of the Next Meeting:

The commission will meet on May 21, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. at the Doyle Senior Center, 153 Main Street, Ansonia, CT 06401

Adjournment:

Comm. Hubbard called for adjournment at 5:50 p.m. Mr. Caisse made the motion to accept; Mrs. Dobrowski 2nd the motion. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary C. Gibson, Recording Secretary

Commission for Elderly Services

Enclosed: Director's Report

Charter Revision Letter