



Town of Windsor
Commission on Aging and Persons with Disabilities
Special Meeting
February 7, 2017

UNOFFICIAL AND DRAFT MINUTES

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Commissioners Present: Patricia Carroll, Estelle LaBarre, Amy Silliman-Avedisian

Commissioners Excused: Marsha Brown, Veronica DeBetham-Taylor, Linda Rickard

Commissioners Unexcused: None

Liaison Present: Rebecca Joyce

Also Present: None

Called to order at 6:56pm by Chairman Amy Silliman-Avedisian

Communications from Commissioners:

Chairman Silliman-Avedisian brought up current terms and where each Commissioner stands at this point. A discussion was had about this and it will be added to old business to be sure that everyone is clear and that there are no further questions about terms/reappointment, etc. She also made mention that the new handicap logo is in effect. This will also be added to old business for further discussion. Lastly, Chairman Silliman-Avedisian spoke about the article she read in the newspaper about the budgetary cuts in Windsor and surrounding towns with regard to the Meals on Wheels and Congregate Meal programs. She mentioned that possibly the Commission could help in some way and suggested adding this to the March meeting agenda.

Commissioner Carroll brought up an article that she read in the Hartford Courant on February 7, 2017 regarding children with special needs being removed from schools due to a lack of funding. Commissioner Carroll agreed to gather more information and report back at the March meeting.

Commissioner LaBarre mentioned that the AARP Volunteer Tax Service was in full swing. She noted that the tax team has completed 32 returns and that they all have been accepted which is a major accomplishment considering the new software and the fact that all the preparers had to learn a brand new system. She mentioned that there are currently 9-11 volunteer tax preparers on Mondays and Thursdays.

Communications from Public: N/A

Communication from Liaison:

Liaison Joyce provided an update on Senior Services and Social Services as well as distributed the newsletter for Senior Services and Social Services. She mentioned the very successful Valentine's party as well as the upcoming trips that are being offered through the Senior Center including "Songs of the Grand Ole Opry" at the Log Cabin and the trip to Las Vegas scheduled in May.

Approval of the minutes from the January 3, 2017 meeting:

A motion to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2017 meeting was made by Commissioner Carroll. The motion was seconded by LaBarre. The motion passed 3-0-0.

Old Business:

Portable Oxygen Tanks - Recap

At this point, the Commission will wait to hear back from Social Services and the Department of Emergency Preparedness regarding this project. Chairman Silliman-Avedisian will follow up with Ms. Raggo, Social Services by April 2017. This will be added back to old business on the March agenda for further discussion.

New Business:

None

A motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Silliman-Avedisian at 7:42pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner LaBarre. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca Joyce