



Town of Windsor
Commission on Aging and Persons with Disabilities
Regular Meeting
June 6, 2023

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Kathy Roby, Amy Avedisian-Silliman, Marsha Brown, and Linda Massa

Commissioners Excused: None

Commissioners Unexcused: Marva Douglas and David Pekarski

Liaison Present: Rebecca Joyce

Also Present: None

Called to order at 7:09pm by Chairperson Kathy Roby

Communication from Commissioners: None

Communication from Liaison:

Liaison Joyce provided an update on Senior Services and all that is happening at the Windsor Senior Center.

Communication from the Public: None

Approval of the Minutes from the April 4, 2023 and May 2, 2023 Meetings:

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2023 meeting was made by Commissioner Silliman-Avedisian and seconded by Commissioner Massa. The motion passed 4/0/0.

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2023 meeting was made by Commissioner Silliman-Avedisian and seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion passed 4/0/0.

Old Business:

Loss of Pet Program/Pet Food Drive – Update

Commissioner Massa mentioned that the Animal Control Officer, Kim, is getting inquiries and requests for pet food, mostly dog food, and she also mentioned that the overflow of cat food is being distributed to the Cat Connection, as well. Liaison Joyce made mention that the information about available pet food is still in the Senior Center monthly newsletter.

Review of Resource Booklet including printing schedule and distribution

Chairperson Roby explained that the Resource Booklet had gone to print as it was approved by the proper channels after updates were provided by the group and changes/additions were made. She did ask the group for help in distributing the booklets once they come back from print. A discussion ensued. Locations mentioned for distribution were Town Hall, both Windsor libraries, local churches, and other local spots. Liaison Joyce will notify the group once the booklets are received. Chairperson Roby also asked the group to review the booklet over the summer break. This topic will be added to the September agenda for discussion, and the October and November agenda for further discussion and review so that come springtime, the group will be ready to print and distribute additional copies.

Approval of the Plan to Review and Distribute Future Copies of the Resource Booklet:

A motion to approve the plan to review and distribute future copies of the Resource Booklet was made by Commissioner Silliman-Avedisian and seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion passed 4/0/0.

HeartSaver CPR Certification Course – June 12 – Update

Liaison Joyce reminded the group of the date, time, and location for the upcoming HeartSaver Certification Course. Chairperson Roby asked if any of the Commissioners were planning on attending. Commissioner Amy Silliman-Avedisian noted that she would be present. Liaison Joyce will also be in attendance.

Presentation on “Elder Justice Hotline” with focus on purpose, access, etc.

Liaison Joyce was happy to report that a date was secured with the AG's office for this presentation to be held at the Windsor Senior Center. This presentation is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 1:00pm. This will be added to our September agenda for further discussion prior to the program.

New Business:

Flu/Virus Prevention – Coordinate with the Health Department on Education

Chairperson Roby will update the COAPD's PSA and insert the new date and time for the Senior Health Fair and Flu Shot Clinic coming up this fall. Once the slides are updated, it will be sent to WIN TV to be shared out to the public. The plan is to add back to the September agenda and begin promoting ASAP after that meeting.

Updates from Jane Garibay on the Homemaker Bill and other priorities for PH Committee

Chairperson Roby mentioned that she didn't have a chance to reconnect with Representative Garibay concerning this topic however she did mention that the bill that was proposed regarding homemakers and companions did pass the vote and that now these companies are under the Department of Public Health.

This is pertaining to Bill Number 1025: An act implementing the recommendation of the homemaker-companion agency task force.

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm was made by Commissioner Silliman-Avedisian and seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion passed 4/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca Joyce