

**Commission on Aging
Annual Meeting
Wednesday June 17, 2009
Greenwich Senior Center**

Present: Jack Morris, Karen LaMonica, Lori Jackson, Chip Serrell, Kristen Browne, Sam Deibler, Catherine Brennan, Jim Dougherty

Guests: Laurette Helmrich, Adm. Sr. Center; Gerry Christophersen, Greats; Cristina Pica; Lin Lavery, Selectman; Christine Edwards, Jr. League Task Force, RTM; Bernice Carroll, Meals on Wheels; Ann Hagmann, GADC; Joan Paukosky, Senior Center

I. Approval of May 20, 2009 Minutes:

Approved.

II. Chairman's Report:

New Commissioner Jim Dougherty welcomed.

Next Commission meeting July 8th.

Email from Boris Houtorin: Town recommending that board members/commissioner's obtain separate email addresses exclusively for commission/board communication separating from personal emails. Email to be forwarded to all Commissioners'.

III. Old Business: No old business to report on.

IV. New Buisness:

-Senior Center staffing...There is consideration being given to changing job descriptions. Program Coordinator position available July 1st as a result of two program planner positions being eliminated from budget. Currently part time position with plan to become full time if approved.

V. Reports:

- **Results of POCD Vote:** Approved by RTM.
- **Elderly Tax Relief:** 811 people applied with ceiling of 39K. 549 qualified under this ceiling. P. Tesei interested in looking at deferral...committee to reconvene.
- **Multipurpose Senior Center:** Committee to reconvene after Sheryl Coughlin's report July 8th. Donor approached Director with gift of 25K for current Senior Center needs. Contingent on matching donation. What is town responsibility vs. donor?
- **Nathaniel Witherell**
No report.
- **Senior Center Director's Report**
First annual clam bake July 10th at Todd's Point being subsidized by The Greats.
Summer lecture series starting in July.
Registration software allowing member participation to be tracked discussed.
Custodian of 28 years retiring as of 8/31/09. This is a Teamster position that Alan Minelli and the town will take over and will solve any scheduling/coverage issues.
Cook II job description has been expanded preventing coverage from other community agencies. Additional part time cook not an option per town

restrictions. Morrison food services-contractor for Nathaniel Witherell-contacted. They evaluated the senior center food services program and submitted a report and estimate (not a bid).

VI. Director's Report

Older American's Month programs were successful.

Late Life Conference – “Balancing compassion with the Bottom Line: The Role of Spirituality”...was a very successful conference.

**Submitted by,
Kristen N. Browne
Secretary**