

Meeting Minutes
TOWN OF EASTON, CONNECTICUT
Commission for the Aging
Regular Meeting
Easton Senior Center
Tuesday, September 8, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM. Present were Linda Dollard, Gail V. Gay, Phyllis Machledt, Joel Peskay, Margaret Silvestri, Lisa Tasi, and Alison Witherbee, Municipal Agent/Senior Social Services.

1. The minutes of the June 1, 2015 meeting were read and unanimously approved on a motion by Phyllis Machledt, seconded by Gail V. Gay.
2. Unfinished Business
 - a. There were no items to discuss.
3. New Business
 - a. Update & Planning for "Seniors Driving Safely" workshop
Alison Witherbee updated on the event scheduled for next Tuesday, September 15th at the Senior Center from 4 to 6PM. Several people have signed up to attend and flyers have been distributed to local organizations. Phyllis Machledt will also share flyers at the SWCCA meeting tomorrow. The CFA members will provide some refreshments at the conclusion of the workshop. Alison has brochures from AAA which also discusses the driving topic and will be finalizing all details with the panelists.
 - b. Discussion on idea for upcoming presentation
The CFA members revisited an idea regarding another future presentation for caregivers/adult children of seniors with cognitive impairments. Alison will obtain more information from her contacts and the topic will be reviewed again at next month's meeting. There is agreement to incorporate more specific concerns for this potential presentation while providing general information and education.
 - c. Municipal Agent's Report
Alison Witherbee had a busy summer preparing for the upcoming fall season. Along with the "Seniors Driving Safely" workshop, there will be another "New to Medicare" discussion (presented by SWCAA) as well as guiding seniors with Medicare Open Enrollment. Unfortunately, several town seniors recently passed away. An outreach has been made to local clergy to establish a network for communication in these matters. The "Bereavement Group" may be pushed outward to spring 2016. Alison will be attending upcoming meetings with the CT

Association of Municipal Agents for the Elderly as well as local area elderly council meetings.

d. SCWAA Report

Phyllis Machledt (SWCCA representative) provided updates on the Southwestern CT Agency on Aging <http://www.swcaa.org>. The Advisory Council Meeting will be held tomorrow at the ESC.

e. CFA Meeting Date Changes

The CFA will be meeting on the first Tuesday for the next 3 months – October, November, and December 2015. As the meetings will convene on Tuesdays, they will be known as “Special Meetings”. The monthly meetings will return to the first Monday for the February 2016 meeting (there is no meeting in January).

f. CFA Letter regarding MCS Fund

The CFA members reviewed a letter which will be sent via USPS and email.

g. Other items

The CFA paid for the September issue of the Easton Senior Center newsletter in honor of all the Municipal Agents who have served the seniors of Easton.

4. Next meeting

The Commission’s next meeting, “Special Meeting”, will be held on Tuesday, October 6th, 2015.

5. Adjourn:

Phyllis Machledt moved to adjourn, Linda Dollard seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved at 6:23 PM.

Submitted by,

Lisa V. Tasi, Secretary, Commission for the Aging