## **Meeting Minutes** Commission for the Aging Town of Easton, CT

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Monthly Meeting – Monday, March1, 2021 – 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Held at the Easton Senior Center

Attendees: Anne Hughes, Cheryl Constand, Linda Dollard, Lisa Tasi, and Alison Witherbee / Municipal Agent for the Aging - Social Services Director.

The meeting started at 5:05 PM. The February meeting notes were reviewed by members in attendance.

Municipal Agent's Report

Alison had a busy February making sure that seniors were safe with the snowy weather by delivering grocery bags, part of the outreach program, and working with the senior center for transport of seniors to get their Coronavirus vaccines. She is attending a weekly meeting with the Westport Weston Health District which provides updates on the vaccine administration and local outlets. Each individual can sign up at the VAMS (vaccine administration management system) https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine which is an online enrollment system, where appointments can be made as well as at other area hospital programs and pharmacies. Alison will be presenting her budget for 2022 to the Board of Finance on Wednesday.

https://www.swcaa.org/ **SWCCA** 

Alison is on the advisory committee and has a meeting on March 11th. SWCCA will be conducting training for the Medicare Savings Program (MSP).

## SWCCA Grants 2021

The members discussed various mini-grants which can provide services for the local seniors. Collectively the ideas were drilled down to opportunities for transport, education and safety measures. In particular is the health & safety grant topic that focuses on home safety, inspection and small repairs. It would offer practical tips and utilize safety protocols for fire (smoke detectors) and communication (RUOK, wellness checks) via the police department.

These ideas will be part of grant applications which are underway.

Open Discussion

Members discussed various outlets to receive the coronavirus vaccine and a program via the Easton Police Department to provide a 'safety call' to seniors who sign up.

The meeting concluded at 6:05 PM. Members are asked to rsvp for attendance. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 6 PM at the ESC.

Submitted by,

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