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Commission for the Aging Town of Easton, CT

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 Held at the Easton Senior Center

Attendees: Nanette DeWester, Jessica DiPietro, Anne Hughes, Diane Parker, Lisa Tasi. Paul Lindoerfer was not in attendance. Alison Witherbee and Daniel Simonelli, former and present Municipal Agent for the Aging – Social Services Director. The meeting started at 5:05 PM.

A welcome was extended to Daniel Simonelli, new Municipal Agent for the Aging -Social Services Director, who is taking the place of Alison Witherbee, who has resigned to take a similar position in the Town of Fairfield, CT. Daniel brings knowledge for his capacity having worked with similar responsibilities as a Community Support Specialist and the Catholic Charities of Fairfield County. He has been settling in for his role and has received an overview from Alison on outreach, calendar planning and other annual events. We wish them both well and will miss Alison!

Each member introduced themselves to Daniel.

During the summer, member Diane Parker tenured her resignation from the CFA.

Meeting Minutes

The June meeting minutes were approved via a motion by Jessica DiPietro and seconded by Nanette DeWester.

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

Ongoing Business

-Municipal Agent's Report

Alison reported on the Grow-A-Row food project which was conducted during the summer months to deliver produce to Easton seniors.

The Aspetuck Health District conducted a survey to assess the needs of the community it serves. The survey results will be presented on September 21st at the Hunt Club.

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

No updates currently. Meetings will begin soon, and Daniel will be looped in on information.

- Planning Presentations

The CFA discussed elements of senior issues, which can be part of future presentations as well as outreach and planning for the upcoming holidays for the remainder of the calendar year. More discussion will be finalized at next month's meeting.

- Other Planning / MA-SSD

Monthly Newsletter is included with the ESC monthly mailing. Information is due approx. 2 weeks before the month end.

Open Enrollment for Medicare and Energy Assistance will be taking place in the next months.

The meeting concluded at 5:53PM.

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 2nd, 2023, from 5-6 PM at the ESC.

Submitted by, Commission for the Aging L. Tasi