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Minutes

Easton Senior Center Advisory Board Meeting

October 12, 2021 – 3:30 p.m. **Easton Senior Center**

Present: Mary Ann Freeman; Althea J. Falco; Wendy Bowditch; Patricia Camuto; Eunice Hanson; Ann Fiyalka and Sally England via telephone; Val Buckley; Randy Shapiro. Guest-First Selectman Bindelglass.

Excused absence: Prahba Gupta; Joan Kirk.

- 1. Mary Ann Freeman called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. All attending members wore masks and were socially distance seated.
- 2. Pat Camuto moved, Eunice Hanson seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2021 Advisory Board Special Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Val Buckley addressed the following items in her Executive Director's Report. Rules concerning COVID protocols will continue. Masks will still be required to come into the Center and worn for all events and proof of vaccination or negative COVID test, 72 hours before entry. Small groups (card players, etc.) can remove masks while playing, but must wear their masks if they leave the area until they return. The Center remains open for classes, events, movies and card playing daily. More than 250 flu shots were given during the flu clinics on October 4th and October 12th. Discussion and the planning of advisory/informational programs on: A.-Health issues (i.e. diets, correct medicine schedules); B.-Basic/fundamental financial questions/answers; and C.-Home maintenance safety continue. Programs on these subjects will be scheduled and posted in upcoming newsletters. Painting of the curb in front of the Center, parallel to the sidewalk going south, was discussed. Wendy Bowditch has been in touch with Keri English who advised volunteers will paint and stencil the curbing. First aid classes were held and well attended. Discussion was had regarding extending railings on the sidewalk and to the entrance of the Senior Center. Design and estimated costs will be done in order for funding to be proposed in the Center's 2002/2023 budget request.
- 4. The Auction/Estate Sale closed on October 8, 2021. Remaining items will continue to be for sale until the beginning of November when the Boutique Sale begins. To date, the Auction/Estate Sale realized \$1,374.50. A tag sale is scheduled for January 2022.
- 5. Val continues to work on obtaining grants, both state and federal, to maximize programs and events for seniors. The Easton Senior Center Inc. is meeting and all board positions filled.
- 6. Wendy Bowditch moved to adjourn the meeting. Pat Camuto seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.,

The next meeting of the Senior Center Advisory Board is scheduled for November 9, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. at the Easton Senior Center.

SUBMITTED BY ALTHEA J. FALCO, SECRETARY