



# TOWN OF VERNON

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*APPROVED* MINUTES

**SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**  
**135 BOLTON ROAD**  
**VERNON, CONNECTICUT**

***Meeting is being held via ZOOM:***

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**10:00 AM**

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Chairman Carole Slattery called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM and called the roll immediately after: The following members were present: Janet DiTarando, Pat Iamonaco, Roxann Lannan, Carole and Edward Slattery; Maryann Hopowiec and Wes Shorts. Late arrival: Ron Kane. Also in attendance: Maureen Gabriele, Senior Center Director and William Campbell, Town Council Liaison. Missing from the meeting was Patty Noblet and Bill Tyler.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** The public did not attend the meeting either in person or via the ZOOM information.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the December 15, 2020 were approved without discussion. A motion was made by Wes Shorts and seconded by Pat Iamonaco to accept the minutes and the motion carried unanimously.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** No report

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Wes Shorts, Treasurer filed a written report with the following information: The December 1, 2020 beginning balance of the Senior Center Endowment was \$40,837.82, the Bank Balance was \$585.00 with monthly interest of \$2.57 bringing the total to \$41,425.39. The annual yield for the funds was .16%. The report was accepted by unanimous vote.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Bill Campbell and Wes Shorts provided follow up information to the Board's request in December, 2020 relative the use of Senior Center funds and providing a thank you to the staff in some form for all their hard work during COVID. A discussion took place with the board and a motion was offered by Bill Campbell and amended by Wes Shorts to present certificates of appreciation to the staff members at the Senior Center and later in the spring to provide them with a reception or some other form of presentation to follow up with the certificates. The motion and friendly amendment were seconded by Janet DiTarando. The motion was carried unanimously by the board.

**DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:** Maureen Gabriele, Director of the Center gave an update on programs and activities. Everything is going well. The Grab and Go is a huge success and sells out every day that it is offered. A suggestion was shared by Maureen Gabriele that perhaps the Board should consider an additional oven to increase the number of meals that are able to be prepared, so that more members can be served. A discussion took place as to whether it should be from the endowment or from the town budget. Maureen was charged by the board to do her due diligence and get three prices for the equipment and also check on the utilities needed to support the installation should the oven be purchased.

Maureen Gabriele also shared the YTD expenditures for the Center to all those present.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** The vaccination clinics are being held here and our building is ideal for this type of event. We are very proud of our Town and all they do.

**OLD BUSINESS: No report**

**NEW BUSINESS: No report**

**ADJOURNMENT:** The next Senior Citizen's Advisory Board meeting is February 23, 2021 at 10:00 AM via ZOOM. Wes Shorts seconded by Pat Iamonaco moved adjournment at 11:05AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Wheelock  
Recording Secretary