



TOWN OF VERNON

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MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
135 Bolton Road
Vernon, Connecticut

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The Town of Vernon Senior Citizen's Advisory Board November 15, 2022 meetings was held at the Vernon Senior Citizen's Center, 135 Bolton Road, Vernon, Connecticut. Chairman Slattery opened the meeting at 10:02 AM and following members were present: Bob Audet, Ed Slattery, Patty Noblet, Wes Shorts, Pam Faircloth, Maryann Hopowiec and Nancy Sirois. Absent: Janet DiTarando and Ron Kane (resigned). Also in attendance were Maureen Gabriele, Director of the Center, Bill Campbell, Town Council Liaison and Carole Slattery.

Public Comment: No one was present to comment.

Approve Minutes: A motion was made by Bob Audet and seconded by Maryann Hopowiec to approve the minutes as presented. The minutes passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report: No activity at this time.

Treasurer's Report: As of October 1, 2022 the endowment balance was \$41,860.27, interest of \$109.52 was accrued over the month making an ending balance as of October 31, 2022 of \$41,969.79. A motion was made by Maryann and seconded by Bob Audet to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and the motion carried unanimously. A discussion took place about the origins of the endowment fund and its growth.

Committee Reports: None

Director's Comments: Maureen Gabriele reviewed some items from the previous meeting relative to the Walking Club, Flu Shots and the bench for the Rockville Spur of the Rails to Trails. The Walking Club - Star Hill track is free to Silver Sneakers Members. The Flu Shots will be administered by the North Central District Health Department and the Bench location is needed by Parks and Recreation. Patty Noblet offered to assist with locating an appropriate spot with Parks.

Tax Season is fast approaching. All the information about making appointments will be in the January newsletter. There will be a two week period when members only can sign up for appointments and then the general public will be invited to sign up. First day of appointments will be February 3, 2023 and the last day appointments will be on April 7, 2023. The intake forms used last year will be available at the Center and on the website for those who want to complete them prior to their appointment. The Center is in need of volunteers to answer the phones and help make appointments. If anyone is interested please see Maureen.

November was a very busy month. We still have one Medicare seminar to sign up for and we have added seated Volleyball if anyone is interested. December newsletter will be out soon with all the information about our Technology Help Program and a Seminar with Friendship Tours of their projected travel options for 2023.

Chairman's Report - to be discuss in New/Old Business

New/Old Business: A discussion took place led by Chairman Slattery relative to additional benches to be purchased for the grounds of the Senior Center. Chairman Slattery asked how the Board would feel about possibly adding some on the campus. A discussion took place relative to same. A motion was made by Bob Audet seconded by Wes Shorts to add an additional bench to the order for the Rails to Trails in the amount of \$2300.00. The motion carried unanimously. A discussion took place relative to the plaque, the location and if more than one should be ordered. Maureen Gabriele said she would check with the Parks Director to find the best way to handle this and would come back to the group with some options for the plaque, and bench locations.

Adjournment – Wes Shorts seconded by Bob Audet moved adjournment at 10:45 AM. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Wheelock
Recording Secretary