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Commission on Aging Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2014
10:05 a.m. – 10:58 a.m.

Attendance: Diane Puterski, Dot Zimmer, George Hangos, Geraldine Gemza, Gus Csuka, Justin Rompe, Kathy Faggella, Linda Fernandes-Johnson, Maryann Seminatore and Patricia Shaham

Excused: Bernice Bova, Dale McClanan and Edith Drost

Call to Order: 10:05 a.m.

Minutes: Approved unanimously.

Updates:

- Director Diane Puterski has applied for Grants – Area Agency and Transportation.
- Director Puterski suggested putting a Caregiver Retreat together to provide relaxing day for Caregivers
- K. Faggella suggested that in addition to the retreat they should provide ideas that caregiver and client can do to relax on a day to day basis
- Outreach Grant has been broken up into two parts – Public Education and Referrals
- Transportation Grant completed for new bus for Baldwin Center
- Answers to Grant requests should be received by June
- Building maintenance is still underway
- Part-time employee hired to help in the Baldwin Center
- Hawaiian theme Volunteer Lunch is approaching
- Victorian Tea is on May 29th at 1:00pm to celebrate Stratford 375th, Mother's Day and Older Americans Month
- FY 2015 Budget has been submitted with no changes – waiting on vote from Council
- Two presentations about the Wellness Park are coming up
- Director Puterski is trying to get the word out about the park and begin to for a committee to help with the process
- Suggestion to put first Wellness Park in Baldwin Apartments has been denied
- Feng Shui Master presented ideas for Baldwin Center – people needed to help implement some of the changes
- Director Puterski mentioned that Pickleball has generated some press and that Channel 8 is coming to report on the activity – Any and all media should go through Director Puterski first
- M. Seminatore mentioned Wii Bowling tournament is on April 24th against Milford Senior Center and that ping pong is doing very well and suggested that coed bocce start
- Director Puterski mentioned that Shirley Dominguez is working on Renters Rebate and Operation Fuel Programs and is trained in all aspects of Medicare
- AARP income tax help is being completed this week
- Director Puterski mentioned to talk about Membership in September
- G. Csuka asked if a re-bid contract for the lunch service was going out – Director Puterski mentioned that they still have one more year
- J. Rompe from Health Dept. mentioned that all disaster preparedness presentations have been completed and there is a statewide trial run on April 24th to deliver antibiotics
- Newsletter is changing and K. Faggella suggested to put pictures of activities on the front cover
- **Motion to adjourn by Dot Zimmer and seconded by Kathy Faggella**

Meeting concluded at 10:58 a.m.