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Commission on Aging Meeting
Tuesday, June 10, 2014
10:01 a.m. – 10:51 a.m.

Attendance: Diane Puterski, Dot Zimmer, George Hangos, Geraldine Gemza, Maryann Seminatore, Gus Csuka, Justin Rompe, Patricia Shaham and Jeryl Gray

Excused: Bernice Bova, Edith Drost, Dale McClanan, Kathy Faggella, Linda Fernandes-Johnson

Call to Order: 10:01 a.m.

Minutes: Approved unanimously.

Updates:

- Director Diane Puterski is waiting on responses on Grant applications – should hear back by end of June.
- Director Puterski mentioned that she will be working on organizing plan for the Wellness Park over the summer.
- A committee will need to be formed to help raise $100K to help fund the park.
- A picnic and various other activities have been planned for the summer at the Baldwin Center.
- C.A.R.E.S. program has a low attendance and Director Puterski is working on some new ideas to market this program.
- Director Puterski asked for ideas to help fund the donation account.
- Patricia Shaham mentioned holding a tag sale at the Baldwin Center to help raise money.
- George Hangos mentioned holding a Bingo Night as a fundraiser.
- Director Puterski thought that it was a good idea, they just need to do some research on regulations and per Dot Zimmer a good contact would be Bill Soissen.
- Director Puterski said that the main room in the Baldwin Center can hold 200 people including tables and chairs for events like Bingo.
- George Hangos also suggested a wine tasting fundraiser
- Director Puterski mentioned she has a local contact that can facilitate a wine tasting and has other ideas about events where you can make your own wine.
- Dot Zimmer suggested it would be better to have the wine tasting first and then explore other options.
- The Victorian Tea to help celebrate Older Americans Month/375th was a success.
- Maryann Seminatore mentioned that many people enjoyed the new format for the newsletter.
- Maryann Seminatore also mentioned that the saw was still on the lower level and Director Puterski assured her that Public Works would be taking care of it soon.
- Gus Csuka brought up that the membership fees got to the Town of Stratford and suggested they try to change this process to have the fees go to the Baldwin Center. He asked that each member contact their Town Council Member to suggest the change.
- Director Puterski is gathering all necessary information about the membership fees for the Commission Members.
- Motion to resume meetings in September by George Hangos and seconded by Dot Zimmer.
- **Motion to adjourn by Dot Zimmer and seconded by Gus Csuka**

Meeting concluded at 10:51 a.m.

Next Meeting – September 9, 2014