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Commission on Aging Special Meeting
Tuesday, November 18, 2014
10:04 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Attendance: Dale McClanan, Diane Puterski, Dot Zimmer, George Hangos, Geraldine Gemza, Gus Csuka, Maryann Seminatore, Patricia Shaham and Guest - Frank Parady.

Excused: Bernice Bova, Justin Rompe, Kathy Faggella and Linda Fernandes-Johnson

Call to Order: 10:04 a.m.

Updates:

- Director Diane Puterski mentioned that Senior Services will be hiring a new Senior Clerk Typist for the office shortly – interviews are being held this week.
- Director Puterski is currently filling in for the Family Caregiver Counselor as they work with HR to find a replacement.
- C.A.R.E.S. Program Assistant will be coming into the Center on an as needed basis because enrollment has been low.
- Director Puterski is reviewing the C.A.R.E.S. Program to help increase attendance.
- On December 8, 2014 registration for the 2015 year will begin for the Baldwin Center.
- Director Puterski has spoken to other centers about how they use the due money to help cover the cost of classes – this option is being explored.
- A letter is being drafted to send to the Town Council, Mayor, CAO and Finance to have a percentage of the Baldwin Center dues come back to the center to avoid and increase in fees.
- The meal program is being reviewed because of poor attendance, comments about the quality of the food and the level of socialization between the attendees. Director Puterski and the Commission will be taking a trip to the Westport and Milford Senior Centers to see how they operate the meal program.
- Director Puterski mentioned that the Federal Nutrition Program is the main problem with the quality of food.
- Director Puterski updated the Commission on the progress with the Wellness Park – a committee will be formed soon to help with the next steps to move the park forward.
- Meetings will be set-up in the future to talk to area insurance companies, Bridgeport Hospital and others for potential support of the park.
- **Motion to adjourn by Dale McClanan and seconded by Geraldine Gemza.**

Meeting concluded at 11:00 a.m.
Next Meeting – December 9, 2014