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Commission on Aging Meeting
Tuesday, June 14, 2016
10:03 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.

Attendance: Alivia Coleman, Carl Glad, Dale McClanan, Diane Puterski, George Hangos, Geraldine Gemza, Gus Csuka, Kathy Faggella, Linda Fernandes-Johnson, Maryann Seminatore & Patricia Shaham. Guests: Sandra Fisher, Otis Fisher, Loretta Kryzanski, Mary Semedo & Jeryl Gray.

Excused: n/a

Call to Order: 10:03 a.m.

Minutes: May minutes approved

Updates:

- Director Puterski spoke about the Area Agency Grant and she hopes to hear a response soon.
- Director Puterski spoke about the addition of new members to the Commission – all of the applications are under review and should be appointed soon.
- Director Puterski mentioned a grant to provide a staff/social worker for the Baldwin Center.
- The sound system for the Baldwin Center is on hold – Public Works & HB Communications are working together.
- Galello-Luchansky Funeral Home will be placing an ad in the Community Calendar with and online survey to figure out what the needs of the community are in terms of bereavement services.
- Director Puterski will be speaking with Stratford CAO, Chris Tymniak about the registration money being returned to the Baldwin Center.
- The Wellness Park is moving forward.
- Director Puterski asked Commission Members to consider being on the Elderly Advisory Council – the Town of Stratford needs 2 representatives and an alternate.
- Alivia Coleman spoke about what the Health Department is doing in terms of mosquito control and that Dunks are available at the Health Department for people who have standing water.
- Alivia Coleman mentioned the Stratford Farmers Market will being on Monday June 20, 2016.
- Director Puterski stated that she had coupons for low income seniors to use at local Farmers Markets.
- Director Puterski updated the Commission on the indoor garden and that the project will being this summer in the lobby of the Baldwin Center.
- Director Puterski spoke about a solution for the very popular painting class – there will be a 2nd beginner's class and the painting classes will be held on opposite weeks. There will also be a drawing class beginning in September.
- Gus Csuka asked about the status of the lunch program contract – Director Puterski responded that the decision will be made at the end of September.
- Chairman Faggella presented her report. She received a report from Mary Balog, Outreach Coordinator that stated there were 92 call/visits in the month of April.
- Chairman Faggella also mentioned there needs to be more safety precautions in the Baldwin Center like clearly marked exits, possibly panic buttons, etc.
- **Motion to adjourn by Geraldine Gemza and seconded by Dale McClanan.**

Meeting concluded at 11:05 a.m.

Next Meeting – September 13, 2016

Respectfully submitted by,

Catherine Hausmann