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East Haddam Commission on Aging
COA Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2022 Senior Center

Present: Brad Parker, Joe Sina, Jo Golec, Maureen Gillis, Barbara Davis, Mary Ellen Klinck, Irene Haines
Absent: Jovita Cozean, Sue Bostelman, Elaine Flaherty, June Guertin

Meeting called to order at 10:35 AM by J. Sina.

ME Klinck will sit in for Jovita Cozean.

Minutes: The May 2022 Minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: No change in account as reported by B. Parker.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business:

- Covid-19: Covid numbers are low in town. Some people are still wearing masks.
- The bus trip scheduled for September is still on, and masks will be worn if required by Health Dept.
- Senior Meals: more people attend on Tuesdays & Thursdays, as the meals are supplied by Hometown Market. A few more people are received Meals on Wheels.

Coordinator's Report:

- Three COA Board Members were each recommended for 3-year terms: Joe Sina, Barbara Davis, Jo Golec. Approved by the Board of Selectmen.
- Two COA Alternates were each recommended for 1-year terms: Mary Ellen Klinck and Elaine Flaherty. Approved by the Board of Selectmen.
- ME Klinck reported on the Haddam/East Haddam Chamber of Commerce meeting that took place earlier this morning. The DOT Bridge Dept. reported on upcoming bridgework, Haddam sidewalks and more.
- B. Parker reported that the year before Covid, 2019-2020, attendance at the Senior Center was 25,000 people. Numbers are going up with new programs and trips added frequently.
- Senior Picnic: 115 attended. It was a fun afternoon with great food, music and dancing. Nutmeg Pharmacy supplied all the food.
- The Holiday Fair and Bake Sale is coming back this year after a 2-year hiatus.

Upcoming

- Mystic Bus Trip: 8/15
- Bingo: 8/18
- Pot Luck Dinner: 8/24
- Lions BBQ: 8/28
- Mystery Lunch Bus Trip: 8/31
- And much, much more!

First Selectman's Report:

- First Selectwoman Irene Haines reported the construction on Route 151/Wigwam Road is on track and will be completed by August 15.
- Salem/East Haddam: Strongs Brook repair – there is a big detour.
- Swing Bridge: Groundbreaking is planned to take place in mid-late August.

- Closures: DOT will give a 90-day outlook for bridge closures. You can sign up on the DOT website for emails/notifications regarding closures, etc. **easthaddamswingbridgeproject.com**

New Business: none

The next COA Meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2022 at 10:30 AM at the Senior Center.

Motion to adjourn by

Meeting adjourned at 11:11 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Davis, Secretary