

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR ELDERLY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 27 2015 AT 5:30 P.M. TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM

I. Call to order:

Chairman Badstubner called the Meeting to Order at 5:32 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT.

II. Attendance:

Present: Claire Badstubner (Chairman), Elizabeth Burns, and Catherine Drouin. Also present was Kristen Bouchard, Municipal Agent.

Absent: Deborah Donovan, and Nancy Polmatier-Thurston.

A quorum was established as three members were present.

III. Approval of Minutes/March 23, 2015:

MOTION: To ACCEPT the Minutes of the East Windsor Elderly Commission dated March 23, 2015 as amended:

Page 2, Open Discussion: Senior Center – bullet 1: “Funding has been allocated **PROPOSED** within the Capital Improvement Projects Budget for a facilities study regarding the Senior Center.”

Drouin approved/Burns seconded:

DISCUSSION: Municipal Agent Bouchard requested the amendment noted above.

VOTE: In Favor: Burns/Drouin
Opposed: No one
Abstained: Badstubner

Approval of Minutes/ February 23, 2015):

MOTION: To APPROVE the Minutes of the East Windsor Elderly Commission dated February 23, 2015.

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Drouin moved/Burns seconded/DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: In Favor: Badstubner/Drouin
Opposed: No one
Abstained: Burns

IV. Added Agenda Items:

None.

V. Open Discussion – 2015 Projects:

The Commissioners reviewed the following projects/programs for consideration during the 2015 season:

1. File of Life:

Municipal Agent Bouchard reported she has been provided copies of the File of Life by the East Windsor Ambulance Service. Staff of the Senior Center and the Human Services Department will assist residences complete their file as needed. The Visiting Nurse Service can be utilized as a resource as well. Discussion followed regarding making the File of Life available to the residents of Park Hill Elderly Housing Complex and the Spring Village Elderly Housing Complex. Mrs. Drouin noted pocket copies of the File of Life are also available from AARP.

2. ICE (In Case of Emergency)

Discussion continued at this meeting regarding this program which assists seniors add emergency information to their cell phone. Discussion followed regarding development of seminars/events to promote this program, as well as information on internet safety and scam alerts.

3. Yellow Dot Program:

The Commission discussed past work on this program, noting that Seniors seem reluctant to participate due to safety concerns as it calls attention via placement of the yellow dot on their vehicles. Discussion to be discontinued for the present.

4. Senior Center Update:

Municipal Agent Bouchard advised the Commission on the following items:

- she is working with the Police Department to set up a series of discussion regarding safety concerns. The first discussion is being scheduled in June and will include the items of internet and personal safety and scam alerts.

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- there is an opening for a part-time clerical position at the Senior Center.
- a grant is being submitted for replacement of one of the oldest buses which has aged out with regard to years of service and mileage.
- May 5th is the 35th anniversary of the opening of the Senior Center. An Open House, with entertainment, a photo booth, and food, will be held.

Ms. Burns noted that prior to her illness she had been working with a subcommittee which was pursuing the possibility of building a new Senior Center; she indicated she would like to reactivate that subcommittee. Discussion followed regarding the proposal under the CIP for a facilities study to determine the potential for additional use of the Town Hall Annex. Discussion continued; no decision was made regarding reactivating the prior subcommittee at this meeting.

5. Community Day:

Discussion followed regarding staffing a booth at the East Windsor Community Day, which is being held in September this year.

VI. Public Input – Comments only (5 minute maximum)

No public in attendance.

VII. Adjournment:

MOTION: To ADJOURN at 6:15 p.m.

Drouin moved/Burns seconded/DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: In Favor: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted:

Peg Hoffman, Recording Secretary, East Windsor Elderly Commission