TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

COMMISSION ON AGING

REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017

SENIOR CENTER

Minutes

Present: Chairperson Ann McLaughlin, Vice Chairman Robert Atherton, Commission Members, Sue Greeno (arrived at 4:06pm), Allison Leue, Deborah McDonald, and Mary Jo Shafer and Senior Center Director Jo Ann Ewing

Not Present: Pat Dufour

Call to Order

Chairperson McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Senior Center.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Atherton, seconded by Ms. Leue, to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2017 Regular Meeting. Voted (5-0)

Public Comment

Emma Lou Cranfield, Commission on Aging from Marlborough, commented that she was happy to attend the meeting to see what other towns and commissions are doing for seniors.

Correspondence

Ms. McLaughlin noted that she was reappointed by the Town Council to the Commission on Aging with a term through December 31, 2020.

Senior Services Report

JoAnn Ewing gave a brief report on senior activities. Their activities are changing over from summer to fall. Ms. Ewing attended a Municipal Agent for the Elderly conference. Energy assistance is starting. There will be a meeting with CRT regarding their new fiscal year lunch schedule.

Old Business

Round Table Meeting

The Round Table meeting was a success. The groups that attend are evolving in a real community. East Hampton will host the next meeting in March or April.

Transportation Information for Doctor’s Offices

The flyer for the transportation information is complete. Ms. Greeno will work with the colors before printing. The commission discussed the distribution plan for the document.

Senior Discounts

Ms. Shafer provided an update on the Senior Discount listing. The listing will be updated for the brochures.

Brochure

The Commission would like to take a new photo of the group for the brochure.

Survey

The survey results were presented to the Town Council. There was a good reaction from Council. Articles regarding the survey were in the Rivereast news and the Middletown Press. There is concern that the Town Council is putting the follow up on the Commission on Aging. At the next meeting the Commission will discuss how to proceed.

New Business

MAT Transit

Several members went to the Public Hearing at MAT Transit to voice their concerns. The changes are not as drastic as originally anticipated. There are no full results at this point.

Other Business

None

Housing Authority Report

None

Public Comment

Emma Lou Cranfield from the Marlborough Commission on Aging asked about the survey.

Lance Johnson, former Commission on Aging member, commented that he was impressed with the proceedings of the meeting and with the brochure.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Leue, seconded by Mr. Atherton, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sirois

Recording Clerk