

**COMMISSION ON AGING  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 5, 2011**

**STONINGTON HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING COMMUNITY ROOM**

**The regular meeting of the Commission on Aging was held on January 5, 2011 in the Human Services Building Community Room. Members present were: Maryann Bessette, Betty Croteau, Lisa Ryan, Stacy Cassata, Robert Elmer, Billie Ward, Betty Henry, R.J. Connelly, Toni Potter, Also attending: Carol Umphlett Agent For The Elderly, Stonington Human Services. Unable to attend: Karen Hawthorn.**

**Guests: June Strunk, President of the PNC Board of Directors. Students attending from The Stonington High School Citizens in Action were Ruth Everett, Samantha Tice, James Shroyer, and Jonathan Moore.**

**The meeting was called to order by Lisa Ryan at 4:07 p.m.**

**Minutes from the December meeting were presented. Motion to accept was made by Bob Elmer. Seconded by Maryann Bessette. Motion Carried.**

**Treasurer's Report was presented by Billie ward. Motion to accept report and place on file made by Toni Potter. Seconded by Betty Croteau. Motion carried.**

**Carol Umphlett, Agent For the Elderly, Stonington Human Services reported that she served 581 households(1378 people) in December. 200 were seniors. 99 of those were over 70 years of age. (mostly open enrollment for Medicare).**

**As of January 3, 2011 there have been 333 applicants for energy assistance. 30% of those are seniors.**

**Open Enrollment for Medicare in 2011 will be October 1, 2011- December 7, 2011. This will be announced in the Fall Newsletter.**

**Lisa Ryan, legislative liaison for the Stonington COA, No legislation to report this month.**

**June Strunk gave a report on behalf of the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center. In December 2010 PNC provided 619 rides. 256 rides were for lunches. There were 200 lunches served in November, 210 in December. Meals on Wheels serves 35-40 lunches per day-that is approx. 700 lunches per month. On**

January 19, 2011 there will be a dedication of a new van .The van came from a private donor.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Nominating Committee: Maryann Bessette –Chair announced officer for 2011:**

**Lisa Ryan-Chair**

**Stacy Cassata-Vice Chair**

**Karen Hawthorn-Secretary**

**Billie Ward-Treasurer**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Announcement of New Board members: Betty Henry and R.J. Connelly.**

Lisa Ryan reported on New planning and Zoning changes made in a neighboring town to allow residents to add modular in law apartments. The program is called PALS( Practical Assisted Living Structures).

Motion to adjourn at 5:00 pm made by Maryann Bessette. Seconded by Billie ward. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Stacy Cassata, Vice Chair and  
Secretary Pro Tem