

**COMMISSION ON AGING
REGULAR MEETING**

June 6, 2012

STONINGTON HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING COMMUNITY ROOM

The regular meeting of the Commission on Aging was held on June 6, 2012 in the Human Services Building Community Room. Members present were: Maryann Bessette, Stacy Cassata, R.J. Connelly, Betty Croteau, Karen Hawthorn, Lisa Ryan, Billie Ward and Alice Watson. Also attending June Strunk, Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center Liaison. Unable to attend: Robert Elmer, Betty Henry and Toni Potter. Guests attending: Angela Mercer People's United Bank.

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Ryan at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes from the May meeting were presented. Motion to accept was made by Billie Ward. Seconded by Maryann Bessette. Motion Carried.

Financial Secretary, Billie Ward, stated that the new budget was not available at the time of the meeting.

Lisa Ryan presented statistic on May programming on behalf of Kristen King, Human Services Program Coordinator, Stonington Human Services. May Senior Lunch and Learn was held at RiverWalk with 48 in attendance; Renters Rebate runs from May 15, 2012 to September 15, 2012. May 16 AARP Safe Driver Course had 6 attending. Senior Service Contacts in May: Senior Exercise: 12; Senior Advocacy: 34; Senior Workshop/Event Contacts: 126; Basic Needs: Food Programs/Transportation Referrals: 86; Case Management: 20; Elderly Disabled Programs: Renters Rebate, Medicare, Senior ID, Social Security, Home Health Care: 462 (Renters Rebate Contacts accounted for 319 of the 462 contacts made). Upcoming Events: August 21, 2012: AARP at StoneRidge; October 5, 2012: 2012-2013 Senior Lunch and Learn Series Begins.

June Strunk, Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center Liaison, presented the following statistics for the PNC for March and April 2012: March 55 seniors were served for a total of 860 one way rides; (77 trips to 11 seniors for grocery shopping, banking and hair appointments; 175 trips to 26 seniors for medical appointments; 444 trips to 26 seniors for PNC Lunche and Activities; 28 rides to 6 seniors to Adult Day Center of Westerly; 136 rides to 3 seniors for various other activities. Congregate Meals for March 251 congregated meals were served to 59 seniors. April: 53 Seniors were served for a total of 832 one way rides (68 trips to 9 seniors for grocery shopping, banking and hair

appointments; 167 trips to 24 seniors for medical appointments; 478 trips to 29 seniors for PNC Lunch and Activities; 101 rides to 4 seniors to/from Adult Day Center of Westerly; 18 rides to 3 seniors for various other activities. April Congregate Meals: The kitchen staff and volunteers served 237 congregare meals to 51 seniors/Meals on Wheels in April 746 meals were delivered to 35 homebound seniors.

June stated that TVCCA is no longer providing meal services on Mondays. Instead, on Fridays, enough food is delivered to cover through Mondays. Congregate lunches are now on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the PNC.

Correspondence:

Appointment letter from First Selectman's Office appointing Alice Watson to the Commission on Aging.

LEGISLATIVE:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Plans continue with S.A.L.T. on the campaign for alerting seniors to scams and frauds. It is hoped that the 90 minute version of the film, "Last Will and Embezzlement" can be shown at the Olde Mystic Village Cinema and offer discussion with experts afterward. Plans are underway to offer an afternoon and evening viewing.

The Stonington COMO Fair is on August 4. Stacy Cassata is taking names of volunteers for the COA booth.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Motion to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. made by Maryann Bessette. Seconded by R.J. Connelly. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Karen Hawthorn
Secretary**