# Services for the Elderly Commission Minutes – Monday, January 25, 2010

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Maureen Matava at 2:28 p.m.

**Present:** Commissioners Maureen Matava, Donald MacLeod, Evelyn Lukes, Peter Bronzi, Frank

McGowan, Archie Perez & Adele Reale. Alternates Carol Buice & Doris Richards.

**Excused:** Alternate Sharon Cullen

Staff: Director Nancy S. Hodkoski and ENP Supervisor Joel Sekorski

**Public Input:** Jennifer Bucci, Advocacy Unlimited, Inc. and student at Saint Joseph College (BSW Major)

introduced herself. She observed the meeting as a way to become familiar with the activities

and programs offered at the Sullivan Senior Center.

# **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to accept the December 14, 2009 meeting minutes made by Commissioners Adele Reale, 2nd by Frank McGowan. Passed.

## **Announcements & Correspondence**

Reviewed announcements and correspondence. The Commissioners agreed to add to the Scholarship Eligibility Criteria a minimum of 50 volunteer hours to be completed at the Sullivan Senior Center in order to open the field to additional students.

### Sullivan Senior Center Report.

Reviewed Sullivan Senior Center Report as reported by Director Nancy Hodkoski.

Motion to accept Senior Center Report made by Commissioners Donald MacLeod, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Adel Reale. Passed.

## **Elderly Nutrition Report**

Reviewed Elderly Nutrition Report as reported by ENP Supervisor Joel Sekorski.

Motion to accept Elderly Nutrition Report made by Commissioners Peter Bronzi, 2nd by Donald MacLeod. Passed.

#### **Old Business**

SeniorNet / H&R Block Partnership – Motion to remove SeniorNet / H&R Block Partnership from the table made by Commissioners Donald MacLeod, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Peter Bronzi.

Discussion followed. The income to be generated would go directly to SeniorNet, not the local Learning Center. Since the AARP Tax-Aide volunteers rarely come across a tax return too complicated to complete, the opinion was not to create an environment to refer seniors to a profit making tax preparer, unless the AARP Tax-Aide volunteers are unable to prepare a complicated return. AARP is at no cost to the seniors. A motion was made to decline the invitation for SeniorNet / H&R Block to present the program "Tax Talks" at the Sullivan Senior Center by Commissioners Peter Bronzi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank McGowan. Passed.

#### **New Business**

None.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 p.m. was made by Commissioners Donald MacLeod, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Adele Reale. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

Next meeting to be held on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 at the Sullivan Senior Center at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Commissioner Evelyn M. Lukes, Recording Secretary