## TOWN OF SOMERS THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE ELDERLY MINUTES OF JUNE 10, 2014 MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Chairman Amy Saada at 1:30 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pat Bachetti, Elaine Bemont, Dorothy Bynack, Ron Collyer, Eileen Fedorowich, Phyllis Gwilliam, Ailene Henry and Amy Saada.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pat Bachetti and Joan Sizer

AUDIENCE: Fran Little, Linda Coleman and Florence Hurley

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: Approval of minutes of meeting of May 13, 2014 approved with noted corrections with motion by Ron Collyer and second by Phyllis Gwilliam.

<u>Chairmanøs Report</u> ó Amy reported that there would be a presentation by Fran Little of the Woodcrest Elderly Housing as the main informational item of this meeting. This was a very informative presentation and Fran answered many of the questions board members had regarding this housing facility. We learned that this facility is not connected with HUD or any form of subsidized housing. It is based on income and assets. The first thing one needs to do is get on the housing list before various qualifications take place. It is not a process that is done in two or three days. There is a lot of investigations that go on before someone is accepted as a qualified resident. We were told about various income and asset qualifications, various rent differences, etc. More details are enclosed in the **attachment** to these minutes.

<u>Meals on Wheels</u> - Linda Coleman reported that there are now 8 clients in this program. Information was in the June newsletter regarding the availability of this program being subsidized. There are two different programs in place to handle this.

<u>Senior Support</u> ó Pat Bachetti was absent but sent a notice saying that she is currently in touch with seventeen people on a monthly basis. Perhaps some teens needing to do some community work would be available to help her out with this project.

<u>Senior Club</u> ó Dory Bynack responded that she is currently showing about 150 members in the Club. Scholarship Committee has selected two candidates to receive scholarships. Scholarship winners are Katlin Gagny who will be attending Boston University to study Biology/PreMed and Stephen Bosomworth who will be attending Stevens University for the study of Chemical Engineering. We wish them both well in their endeavors. Plans are underway for a Fatherøs Day celebration on June 11<sup>th</sup> with entertainment provided by the Humblebees. A picnic is being planned for July 2<sup>nd</sup> with music being provided by one of our club members. Woodcrest ó Woodcrest information was provided by Fran Little as stated previously.

Publicity ó Joan Sizer was not present at this meeting.

<u>Travel/Trips</u> ó The following trips are upcoming in July:

- July 15 Willimantic Brewing Company
- July ??Abbott in the Rough
- July 18 Mohegan Bus Trip

## **OLD BUSINESS**:

<u>Grant for Bus</u>  $\acute{0}$  Amy reported that grant has been submitted to receive another new bus. We should know by June 30<sup>th</sup> if grant has been allowed.

<u>11 Day Cruise ó January 30 ó February 9, 2015</u> ó Norwegian cruise starting at \$1249 per person, all inclusive. More details to follow.

Party at the Park ó Event planned for later in June will not be taking place.

<u>Missing Items from the Kitchen</u> ó It has come to the attention of the staff that various items seem to disappear from the kitchen. It is hoped this practice will stop so that the kitchen does not have to be closed off to those visiting the senior center.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

<u>Easter Seals Program</u> 6 We are still in need of someone to come forth wishing to work for Easter Seals on a part-time basis at the Senior center. If you know of someone who may be interested in doing this, please let Amy know.

Concerts at the Park ó Concerts will be starting on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Next meeting of the Advisory Board will be on Tuesday, July 8 at 1:30.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine L. Bemont, Secretary

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