

Sherman Commission on Aging
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 20, 2015
Mallory Town Hall, 6:00 PM

FINAL

Present: J. Wey, S. McMahon, J. McRoberts, J. Garcia, and A. Jellen

Absent: E. Hayes

Public & Invited: Social Services Director, B. Trott and Commission Clerk C. Branson

Call to Order: Chair, J. Wey Called the Meeting to Order at 6:10 p.m.

Senior Center Report:

Social Services Director, B. Trott stated she will be delivering the report for the next few months, Ms. Berger sustained a serious injury to her shoulder last month and will be out until further notice. The Commission discussed their role in assisting at the Center if needed. Ms. Trott stated to check with L. Gomez for scheduling. Ms. Trott reported Eversource came to present a discussion on storm preparation today at the Center.

Approval of Minutes of June 15, 2015: Approval of the Minutes was tabled until the next Meeting.

Old Business

Commission Budget Discussion

FY 2015 Approved Amount: \$1,500.00

The Commission discussed what Budget is typically used for; the Clerk, continuing education programs mailings and newspaper advertisements. Trip donations are turned over to the General Fund.

Senior Population by Age Groups

Commissioner S. McMahon stated she would provide an up to date population report by age from the voters list.

Senior Center Budget as % of the Town Budget

Social Services Budget as a % used for Seniors

Social Services Director, B. Trott stated she would scan and email the Budgets and answers to the two questions above.

Senior Center Security Discussion Senior Center Technology Discussion

The Commission discussed the need to update security at the Center. There are three doors and at many times there is only one person on staff. The general consensus was that during non-program times when there is one person in the building the doors should remain locked and acameras should be installed at each entry with a buzzer.

"Did you know" Article Discussion

There are archived articles from the past in the binder that can be referred to for ideas, and updates. One "hot topic" is sign-ups for the Medicare Drug Plan.

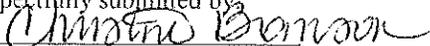
Grants

B. Trott reported the Senior Center is in desperate need of renovations, she would like to have the Commission look into writing a LoCip grant application for a proposal new Senior Center/ Community Center presented to be put into a 5 to 10 year plan. There are many additional grants out there and worth looking into. Ms. Trott will email a list of grants that have been used in the past. It was noted Park and Recreation offers no programs to Seniors. Ms. Trott requested the Commission look into types of movement and other programs that might be appropriate for Sherman's Seniors.

Adjournment

Commissioner J. McRoberts Adjourned the Meeting at 7:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by



Christine Branson, Commission Clerk

July 27, 2015