

**MINUTES**  
**Commission on Aging Committee Meeting**  
Wednesday, April 24, 2019  
Community Center Room 107

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DATE: 5/21/19  
TIME: 9:20Am  
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**Members Present:** Phyllis Jachimowski, Chairman Evelyn Molner, Robert Newton, Kathryn Rich and Suzanne Reilly.

**Others Present:** Mary McNelis, Community Services Director and Lucy McConologue, Elderly Services Manager (briefly)

1. **Call meeting to order:** Evelyn called the meeting to order @ 10:10 a.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Approval of March 27, 2019 meeting minutes:** A motion was made by Phyllis and seconded by Bob to approve the March 27, 2019 meeting minutes, motion carried.
5. **Elderly Services Manager Report:** Mary presented the Elderly Services report for April activities and upcoming May highlights in Lucy's absence - there are now exercise classes held 5 days per week. Pickleball is now offered 3 days per week adding an additional day and having 16 people registered.. The Wii Bowling group has a following of 8 - 9 individuals and they are improving in hopes to go on the road and participate in tournaments with other senior centers. The Lions Club Pizza Bingo was a huge success. The upcoming Educational program Navigating the Legal System only has 6 participants pre registered but Suzanne will connect Lucy with the representatives of the Valley Senior Services Council names to ensure that more are registered for the May 16 program, it's still early. It was suggested by Phyllis to check into the Warner Theatre and Goodspeed Opera House performances for upcoming trips. The Jam Band has grown and are performing well and even have individuals who come to enjoy the music while they are practicing. Kathryn suggested that they go on the road and perform at Smithfield Gardens in the future. Lucy was busy tending to the Lotus Flower Lantern class but did stop by to invite the Commission members to stop by and observe the results the class of 25+ had prepared. (the committee did visit to witness the impressive results). Mary reported that we are still on track to reach our goal of 500 members by end of year, we're at 487 (+15) to date vs. 460 last year. the year runs from July 1 - June 30, and the rate increased approved last month would be effective beginning in July, the membership benefits will be emphasised to the 80+ group. The May trip to Atlantic City has 35 people registered. Pinochle and Qigong still meets on Thursdays. A Hot Dog lunch is schedule for May 29th. .
6. **Municipal Agent Report -** Bonnie Wilkes was not able to attend and therefore there was no report at this time. (Suzanne did receive Bonnie's report after the meeting and it will be shared at the May meeting).
7. **Financial Report:** Mary shared the financial report for the Elderly Services- all is on target. Mary also mentioned that the new bus is in the capital plan budget and hopes that it passes, we

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ought to be informed by the next meeting regarding the 26 passenger bus with all the needed features, seat belts, lift, etc.

8. **Public Comment:** None
9. **Old Business:** None
10. **New Business:** The Walking Trail work has commenced.
11. **Member Comment:** Bob complimented the Mary and her staff that everything is running well, business is up and the finances are under control.
12. **Prepare May 22, 2019 meeting agenda** – Suzanne will reach out to The Library Director Suzanne Garvey to see if she'd like to present at a future meeting Mary mentioned perhaps she'd like to wait until the Library renovations are complete
13. **Adjournment** A motion was made by Suzanne and seconded by Kathy to adjourn, Motion carried. (10:46 am)

**Respectfully Submitted,      Suzanne Reilly, Secretary - Commission on Aging**