

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE KILLINGWORTH
COMMITTEE ON AGING
Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
Killingworth Town Hall

Members in Attendance: Joan Gay, Bill Joyce, Joyce Mason and Ex-officio Member, Mercedes Riccuiti, Municipal Agent for the Elderly

Members Absent: Cheryl Fine, Margaret Tobelman

Visitors: Sandy Allard, Alice Lucas, Kate Moran, Jean Panciera, Mary Solera and Jamie Sciascia (Via Remote)

Called to Order: The meeting was Called to Order at 5:30 p.m. by Joan Gay, Chair

Roll Call: Chair Gay took a Roll Call of all Committee Members and Visitors who were in attendance at the meeting.

Communications: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion #1 - Joyce Mason *Moved* and Bill Joyce *Seconded* a motion to approve the Minutes from the Committee on Aging Meeting that was held on March 27, 2024 as presented.

Voting to Approve: J. Gay, B. Joyce, J. Mason

Motion unanimously passed (3-0-0).

Approval of Clerk Invoice:

Motion #2 - Joyce Mason *Moved* and Bill Joyce *Seconded* a motion to approve the Clerk's Invoice in the amount of \$175.00 as presented.

Voting to Approve: J. Gay, B. Joyce, J. Mason

Motion unanimously passed (3-0-0).

Report from Municipal Agent for the Elderly - Mercedes Riccuiti:

Mercedes reported about the following: Renters Rebate Program; Conservation and Development Policy Plan scheduled for April 30th; On Aging Conference Department of Development scheduled on May 8th regarding "Getting Scammed."

Discussion regarding CT Community Cares - COA endorsement, financial commitment, donor outreach:

The Committee had discussion about supporting and moving forward with CT Community Cares. A suggestion was made to let the Beechwood Community be the “trial balloon” period to see if it would work for all Killingworth residents since they received a \$500.00 donation towards the CT Community Cares. Concerns about funding the programing in order to get it up and running took place. Chair Gay reported that First Selectman Couture will be scheduling a meeting in order to see what the impact will be for the Community and recommended the Committee should support the Board’s decision.

Next Steps - Programs/Activities:

Chair Gay went through the suggestions from the Senior Survey, the Committee’s priority list and other topics. Committee Members developed a list of topics to pursue. At the May Committee meeting, the list will be prioritized and looked into how to accomplish each topic. Alice Lucas will work with the people at the St. Lawrence Church in terms of the Committee’s communication strategy and send Chair Gay the details.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Bill Joyce discussed with the Committee land available for Senior Housing in Bethlehem and wanted their consensus on whether or not to pursue it further. Chair Gay suggested getting more information in order to determine a plan for conservation and development.

Chair Gay suggested that we need Senior Housing that is not income dependent. Also, the Committee had a brief conversation about the stigma around “Senior Housing.”

Next Committee Meeting: May 22, 2004:

The next Committee on Aging Regular Meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2004 at the Killingworth Town Hall.

Adjournment:

Chair Gay adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Sciascia
Clerk