

**Town of Somers
Meeting of Advisory Committee for Seniors
December 10, 2019**

Present: Pat Bachetti, Dori Bynack, Steve Getman, Phyllis Gwilliam, Ailene Henry, Carol Sarrantonio, Joan Sizer, Chris Boucher

Absent: Tina Toohey

I. The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m. by chairman Chris Boucher.

II. Steve moved and Joan seconded the motion that the minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

III: Audience: Alison Maynard, Social Services director
Jillian Connors, Senior Center supervisor

IV: Correspondence: none

V: Old Business: a. Staffing: Chris introduced and welcomed new staff. Committee members introduced themselves. Chris and new staff are evaluating the best way to allocate space for each department.

b. Dial-a-Ride: Chris continues to work with our insurance company on having the Dial-a-Ride service be door-to-door on a case by case basis rather than only curb-to-curb.

c. An Environmentally Friendly Senior Center: Staff is working on purchasing environmentally friendly supplies as old supplies are used.

VI: New Business:

A. Term Renewal: All committee members will receive an email from town hall renewing their one year term. All members have agreed to continue on the committee.

B. 2020 Meeting Schedule: Chris distributed the meeting schedule for 2020. Dory moved and Joan seconded the motion that the schedule be accepted.

C. We talked about possible programming for younger, active seniors like hiking, biking, pickleball combining Recreation services with Senior Center services.

VII. Committee Updates: MOW: No meals were delivered on Dec. 3 because of snow conditions. All clients were called. Ailene offered to make a snow day meal for each client as we did last year. Cost will come out of the MOW fund. Alison asked about client numbers and we talked about ways to advertise the availability of the MOW service.

Senior Club: 223 members at present. Christmas party planned for Dec. 18.

Outreach: Pat will send holiday cards to MOW clients.

Woodcrest: Speed bumps have been installed. Joanna's restaurant will host a Christmas party for Woodcrest residents on Dec. 12.

Phyllis moved and Carol seconded the motion that our meeting be adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Next meeting January 14, 2020

Respectfully submitted

Ailene Henry secretary

Minutes not official until approved at subsequent meeting.