

**Town of Somers
Meeting of Advisory Committee for Seniors
August 11, 2020**

Present: Chris Boucher (zoom), Jillian Connors, Steve Getman (zoom), Phyllis Gwilliam, Ailene Henry, Allison Maynard, Carol Sarrantonio (zoom), Tina Toohey,

Absent: Pat Bachetti, Dori Bynack, Joan Sizer

I. The meeting was called to order at 1:29 p.m. by chairman Allison Maynard.

II. Minutes of 07/14/20 meeting: Tina moved and Phyllis seconded the motion that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

III. Audience: Christina Hurdle-Cenac

IV: Correspondence: none

V: Old Business: none

VI: New Business: Social Services Update:

MOW: There are 3 routes with 18 clients with minimal contact between volunteers and clients. Ailene asked if we could continue to give clients a refrigerator magnet with the MOW contact phone number. Christina and Allison will follow up with this

Social Services continues to provide programs like energy assistance, farmers' market vouchers, back-to-school program. There were over 50 applicants for the back-to-school program.

Allison continues to be part of the long-term recovery group.

Senior Center Update:

Dial-a-Ride will be available for all transportation purposes but limited to 2 riders per trip.

Out-door activities are going well and will continue as long as the weather permits. New programs like drive-in bingo and trivia will be added.

There will be technology training in the fall for things like zoom and Facebook and a new communication program "Highway 61".

There will be an outdoor ice cream social around Labor Day.

There will be a fall edition of the newsletter mailed to seniors – looking for sponsors to defray the cost of postage.

Wellness calls will continue – working on a robocall system.

Local gardeners have been providing vegetables.

Foot care is available in house by appointment.

VII. Committee Updates:

VIII: Adjournment: Carol moved and Tina seconded the motion that our meeting be adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: We may not have a September meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Ailene Henry secretary

Minutes not official until approved at subsequent meeting.