

**CITY OF BRISTOL, CONNECTICUT
COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING
Wednesday, September 19, 2024 - Regular Meeting Minutes
Bristol Senior Center – 240 Stafford Avenue
Bristol, CT 06010 – Phone: 860-584-7895 Room #109**

Present: Chairman Larry Zbikowski, Commissioners: Cathy Duck, Ellen McCusker, George Irving, Chris Leigh, Sheila Herens, Executive Director Jason Krueger, Assistant Director Jaimie Clout, and Council Liaison Susan Tyler.

Absent: Commissioner: Dolores Ricker

Meeting Called to order: Chairman Larry Zbikowski called the meeting to order at 11:03am

Approval of Minutes: *Commissioner Duck moved to accept the minutes from the June 20, 2024 Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Leigh, All in Favor.*

Public Participation: A question was raised by a member asking if there were cameras in the parking lot that could provide footage regarding a damaged vehicle. Executive Director Krueger stated that we do not currently have cameras in place and that even when we do, parking lot capability will be very limited. A second question was raised in regards to whether or not the new Carrier-built apartments are designated as “low income”. Mayor Caggiano clarified that they are market rate apartments.

Council Update: *Council Liaison Sue Tyler* noted that the Jerome Ave. bridge project had experienced a significant delay and that the new target date for project completion is May 2025.

Correspondence: There was one letter of correspondence from Bristol Hospital thanking both the Bristol Senior Center and the Friends of the Bristol Senior Center for their combined donation of \$7,500 in support of the foot clinic services provided to the Bristol Senior Center.

Unfinished, “Old” Business: Executive Director Krueger noted that the results of the building use surveys had come in and the results had been summarized. The information collected will be used for future planning. Executive Director Krueger also noted that there had been 2 requests for use of emergency funds and that our balance was \$211.60. It was further noted that our annual fundraising campaign would supply an additional \$2,000 to the replenishment of the emergency fund. Executive Director Krueger noted that work on the LED lighting project had begun and that significant progress has been made. He also noted that electricians for our camera and intercom system project have been here in the later evening hours to scope out the details of the project. E.D. Krueger stated that an RFP has been put out by Public Works for the BHDD expansion project and that construction is slated to begin early spring 2025. Additionally, he stated that the parking lot project is a work in progress and that the 2 new shelters would be constructed over the bocce courts will be going up shortly.

New Business: None

Any other business: Executive Director Krueger reported the statistics for July and August were detailed in the agenda packet and that the past month (August) is as follows: In August we had 2,710 participants, total membership was 5,637, with 9 members’ deceased and 32 new members. Our fundraiser total was at \$20,205.00 for the prior fiscal year and already at \$9,241 to begin the new fiscal year.

Executive Director Jason Krueger stated that our upcoming events include the Health Fair to be held on Thursday, September 26th from 9:00am-12pm here in the gymnasium. Additionally, BSC will its annual craft fair on Friday, October 25th and Saturday, October 26th from 10am-3pm here, in the gymnasium.

The next meeting of the Commission on Aging will be on Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 11:00am in Room #109.

Adjournment: *Commissioner Duck moved “to adjourn” at 11:19 a.m., seconded by Commissioner McCusker. All in favor.*

Respectfully submitted, Jaimie Clout, Secretary to the Commission.