Minutes of the Commission on Aging Monthly Meeting
January 5, 2022

Attendees: Robert Berman, Haleesteen Graham-Days, Marie MacDonald, Pat Miller, Lucille Morisse, Susan Odoms, Barbara Reisner, Jeannette Rivers, Leon Rivers, Peter Wiccox

Guests: Marie Bendzans (Senior Services Liaison)

Absent: Susan Odoms, Shirley Thompson

The meeting, which was held via Zoom, was called to order at 12:38 pm.

Old Business:
The town clerk has advised that any Commission or Board member who wishes to be reappointed must complete a Boards & Commissions Interest Form (copy attached to these minutes). It was asked where the forms should be sent. They can be sent directly to the town clerk or to Services for forwarding to the town clerk. It was suggested that the forms be sent sooner than later so as not to delay processing.

An invitation to today’s meeting was sent to Representative Gibson.

Public Comments
AARP Tax Aide volunteers are planning to once again be at the Senior Center to offer free federal and state income tax preparation (depending on COVID-19 conditions).

There will be a SOUPER New Year drive-through luncheon on Thursday, January 20 (this event was canceled by the partnering agency due to COVID-19 concerns subsequent to today’s meeting).

A new folk dancing class is scheduled to begin on Monday, January 24, at 10:30 am.

West Hartford-Bloomfield public health nurse Helen Drohan is retiring at the end of January. Senior Services will host a farewell reception on Tuesday morning, January 25, from 10:00-11:30 am.

A town-wide distribution of COVID-19 test kits and N-95 masks took place on January 4. There are a limited number of masks and kits still available for Bloomfield residents.

Barbara made a motion to accept the December minutes. Peter seconded. The minutes are approved.

Haleesteen made a motion to adjourn; Barbara seconded. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm.

The next meeting will take place at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, February 2.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Miller
Secretary