

**TOWN OF DARIEN  
COMMISSION ON AGING  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 18, 2013**

**ATTENDANCE:** Joe Pankowski, Chair; Jennifer Geddes, Mary McCarthy, Robyn Woods, Amy Squyres, Tom Valentino

**STAFF:** Olive Hauser, Human Services

**OTHERS:** Charles English

**CALL TO ORDER.**

Mr. Pankowski called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present

**HUMAN SERVICES REPORT.**

Ms. Hauser said that her office was very busy. She then reviewed her report (See Attached). Operation Fuel is for the people that do not fit the State Guidelines.

*Ms. Hauser left the meeting at 9:10 a.m.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

**\*\* MS. MCCARTHY MOVED THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 20, 2013 MEETING.**

**\*\* MS. GEDDES SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 20, 2013 MEETING AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**SENIOR CENTER REPORT.**

Mr. Pankowski reported that Ms. Paris was unable to attend the meeting. Ms. Geddes then read Ms. Paris's report into the record. (See Attached)

**OLD BUSINESS.**

Ms. Woods said that the construction is on-going. The current completion date is currently Valentine's Day. The duct work is done and the gym work should have been completed. Other areas, such as electric system work are moving forward. A firmer completion date will be announced in February. Once the building is completed and the Certificate of Occupancy is

issued, the move can be scheduled. The Senior Art Center is now holding their classes off site due to some plumbing issues.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

Ms. Geddes said that she had received calls from several senior residents who pay to have their sidewalks shoveled. Then the town plow comes along and refills the shoveled sidewalks. The senior then has to pay a second time to clear the sidewalks. Mr. Pankowski said that he was wondering if the people clearing the sidewalks were doing it too quickly, knowing they would be called back after the plows went by. The discussion then moved to what the ordinance requires and how enforceable that ordinance.

Mr. Charles England said that Aging is Place is now known as At Home in Darien. Renaissance has proved to be a very good resource for the program. The group has met with the service providers to discuss senior discounts and reliable service. Mr. Pankowski asked Mr. England to investigate the issue surrounding the shoveling on an annual basis. Ms. Squyres said that there were volunteers that could be enlisted through At Home in Darien program.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

**\*\* MS. SQUYRES MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* MS. WOODS SECONDED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

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