

Minutes of the Social Services Commission
Senior Center – May 8, 2014- 8:30 a.m.

Members present:

Rob Michalman, Ruth Clark, Bob Brooks, Faith Roebelen, Sharon Kozaczka

Absent: M. Dufore, B.Fidler

Directors present: Paula Pascoe, Senior Center Director, Janet Frechette, EAA Delivery of Social Services, Director

Absent: Denise Winiarski, MiniBus Director

Chairman Rob Michalman called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Citizen Comment: None

Minutes of the April 19, 2014 meeting – Ms. Clark moved to approve the April 19, 2014 meeting minutes, Ms. Kozaczka seconded. The minutes were approved as printed and distributed by unanimous vote.

Directors' Report –

Paula Pascoe, Senior Center Director, distributed the newsletter for May, Suffield Round About to the Commission. It was noted that the Senior Center will be closed Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day. The newsletter listed assistance programs and health & Wellness/Services. Also listed are the May Lunch menus, exercise classes, etc. She reported that the Dinner for the Volunteers was well attended and went very well.

Janet Frechette, Director, EAA Delivery of Suffield Social Services, distributed her written report.

Renter' Rebate: Applications are being taken until October.

Fuel Aid – The State program is closed to all applicants unless the resident heats with gas or electric and has a shut-off notice. These applicants have until May 15. We are getting calls from residents with electrical debt in excess of \$2000.

Meals-On-Wheels volunteers went to CRT for a Breakfast. It was a successful event and Mini Bus provided the transportation.

The Police Food Drive was a great success, lots of food and \$728 cash was donated.

The Mail Carrier's Food Drive is scheduled for May 10.

Chairman's Update

Rob Michalman reported that the position of the Youth Services Director had been offered to 1 candidate, but the candidate did not accept. The position has been offered to another candidate and the Commission is waiting for a response. Mr. Michalman and Mr. Brooks have been working at length with the First Selectman and the HR Director. The Chairman gives Selectman Mel Chaftez, credit for supporting this position, and keeping the position alive and funded.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbie C. Kling, Secretary MIN.May.8.2014

