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## **MADISON SENIOR SERVICES COMMISSION MINUTES**

**February 13, 2020**

**Present:** Austin Hall, Dale Kach, Jim Ryan, Lori Murphy, Rosalyn Fahey, Sheri Puricelli, Wendy Oberg, Justin Murphy

**Absent:** Chris Abbott, Jerry Kerins, Ruth Doina, Erin Duques

**Public:** Mrs. Ryan

**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER:** 5:30 pm BY Wendy Oberg

### **CO-CHAIRMAN'S and COMMISSION MEMBERS COMMENTS:**

- Dale Kach reports positive feedback regarding the Senior Center and Austin were made from visitors from Bridgewater.
- Roz Fahy reports that Nurse Practitioner can speak at Senior Center in May/June. Austin to follow-up.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mrs. Ryan reports that Madison seniors are happy that changes were made to procedure required to obtain beach pass.

**AARP TAX PREP:** Austin reports that tax professionals began helping the public complete simple tax returns on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>. This service is provided at the Center free of charge on Tuesdays through April 14 9am-3pm.

**SOW, GROW, SAVOR: AN INTERGENERATIONAL EDIBLE GARDENING PROGRAM AT THE MADISON SENIOR CENTER:** Austin reports this initiative was passed by the Board of Selectman. The student organizer is working with Eagle Scouts to develop the gardens. Sheri shared an article which appeared in The Source regarding this program.

**SENIOR AND DISABLED TAX RELIEF PRGRAMS:** The Senior Center is providing assistance to those applying for Town and State Tax Relief Programs. They must be Madison residents, 65 and over and fall within the income guidelines.

**COUNTRY SCHOOL POETRY CONTEST:** Austin took part in judging the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Poetry Contest for the students at The Country School.

**NEW IN MARCH:** Austin outlined the many new programs which will take place in March including:

- Yale Art Gallery Tour
- New Britian Museum of American Art Tour
- Fiber Optics for Communication with Peter Schultz
- Expanding Minds Lecture and Discussion Group
- WWI with Charlie Fischer
- Many SSILL Programs to be held at Senior Center (book discussions, TED Talks, etc).

**MINUTES OF January 9, 2020 meeting APPROVED**



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**DISCUSSION:**

- Commission Members discussed thoughts on future use of Academy Property.
- Justin Murphy sought clarification from Austin regarding uses and number of Senior Center vehicles and funding sources of the Meals on Wheels Program.

**MEETING AJOURNED** AT 6:40 pm. Wendy Oberg closed the meeting. Next meeting March 12, 2020 at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Murphy

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