

Lymes' Senior Center Board of Directors Meeting
In the Old Lyme Town Hall, Old Lyme, CT
May 20, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Folland, Stephanie Lyon-Gould, David Griswold, Peter Lucchese, Christina Gotowka, Diana Seckla, Jeremy Crisp, Mariette McCourt, Karen Geisler, Fred Verillo

MEMBERS ABSENT: Margaret Thach, Carolyn Ross, Kathy Lockwood

I. CALL TO ORDER: Peter Lucchese at 12:00

II. GUESTS: John Kiker

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

IV. MINUTES OF April 15, 2024 Meeting Paula Emery

Corrections: Directors Notes: Line 6, Florence Griswold Line 7, delate May 6th, add Mid May.
Programming Suggestions: Line 2 add after resources - which we provide. Line 3 Ledge Light
Motion to accept the minutes with corrections was put forth by Diana Seckla, seconded by
Christina Gotowka. Motion Carried.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT: Jane Folland

Report dated April 13, 2024 - May 17, 2024

VI. COMMUNICATIONS: Diana Seckla read a thank you card from Margaret Thach for the gift of flowers and a letter from Passion4Pawz thanking the board for a donation in memory of Jackie Roberts.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Director's Notes: Stephanie Lyon-Gould

Current membership is 1095. The offer of the baby grand piano was declined due to its age (1914) and the brief time frame in which to pick it up. Today is the Ground Breaking at the Senior Center @ 2:00. The Lyme Villages Voices will perform today at the First Congregational Church at 1:00. The Old Lyme Town Band will perform on Wednesday, May 29th at Christ the King Church. A lecture on Estate Planning will be held on May 22nd at the Old Lyme Town Hall. The Kellogg Brothers with Mallory Howard lecture is on May 28th. The Gilded Age Mansions with the Bow Tie Historian is on June 5th. Christ the King Church gave final approval as the alternative lunch site for the months of June/July. The Memorial Day Parade will be on Monday, May 27th at 11:00. The screening of "Cabaret", facilitated by Fred Verillo, will be on June 10 at the Lyme Library, followed by "Sweet Charity" in August.

Facilities Report: None

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of Members Ideas/Projects to Benefit the Center and Seniors: Peter indicated that the wheelchair accessible walking path around the center is an ongoing project in planning. The topic of Aging in Place received considerable discussion with a special emphasis on loneliness/depression on the part of seniors living alone. Food for thought suggestions centered around ways for more personal contact with homebound seniors. Peter introduced his passion for Affordable Senior Housing. He was invited to attend a meeting of the Affordable Housing Commission and will summarize his findings to share at the next meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

Program Suggestions:

X. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 1:24 pm. Jeremy Crisp put forth the motion, Diana Seckla seconded. Motion Carried.

Next Regular Meeting: June 17, 2024 at the Old Lyme Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Emery
Recording Secretary