

Branford Commission of Services for the Elderly

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Meeting Minutes February 11, 2021

Call to Order - The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 5:07 pm by Chair Laurie Rockwell. Present: Pat Torre, Pat Brownell, Ellen Carucci, and Alpha Coiro. Director Dagmar Ridgway, Activities Coordinator Nancy Cohen and First Selectman Cosgrove were also in attendance.

- I. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting January 7, 2021 – On a motion by Pat Torre and Seconded by Alpha Coiro, the minutes were unanimously approved.
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of September 10, 2020 – On a motion by Pat Torre and Seconded by Alpha Coiro, the minutes were unanimously approved.
- III. Dagmar Ridgway presented the Director’s Report. Statistics were not compiled. The 2021-2022 Budget was reviewed. On a motion by Alpha Coiro, Seconded by Pat Torre, it was unanimously voted to accept the Budget as presented. It will go to the Board of Finance, then Administrative Services then to the RTM. Dagmar also addressed a variety of topics including the replacing of 2 buses, the Vaccine Clinics, the Vital Connections Grant and the BHS Interact Club’s involvement with Canoe Brook. The First Selectman praised the efforts of Dagmar and the Canoe Brook Staff.
- IV. Nancy Cohen discussed Programming Activities. The Virtual Craft Fair was a great success, many activities are being conducted virtually, Bingo is a big hit, and participation is at about 70% of Pre-COVID which is great.
- V. Social Services are being addressed via the telephone and computer, but statistics were not compiled due to the rollout of the COVID Vaccine Clinics.
- VI. Comment Box – None. Being removed from agenda during for the time being.
- VII. Citizen’s Comments – No citizen’s present.
- VIII. On a motion from Pat Brownell, Seconded by Pat Torre, by unanimous consent the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted by Doreen F. Denhardt, Commission Clerk.