

# *Branford Commission of Services for the Elderly*

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Patricia B. Torre

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Alpha Coiro

## **Meeting Minutes May 8, 2025**

Call to Order - The Meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm by Chair Laurie Rockwell. Present were: Pat Torre, Alpha Coiro, Jean Richo and Pat Brownell (via phone). Assistant Director Nancy Cohen, Dale Izzo, Director of Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services and incoming Clerk Rhiannon Turco were also in attendance.

Approval of the Minutes of the February 6, 2025 Meeting – Minutes to be amended to correct Dale Izzo's title (as above) and indicated the next meeting should have read May 8, 2025. On a motion by Alpha Coiro and Seconded by Pat Torre, the amended minutes were unanimously approved. It should be noted that all meetings are held at the Joe Trapasso Community House, but the specific room location can be subject to change, due to the increased activity levels in the building.

Dale Izzo updated the commission on various topics, including new computers, facility updates, the filling of the Caseworker position and hiring of a part-time chef. A couple of the replaced computers will be wiped appropriately and set up to be available for public use in the center's library.

Nancy Cohen discussed Transportation issues and is grateful for the Volunteers who continue to serve the center. The Renter's Rebate program will begin in June and the Farmer's Market cards will also be available in June. The dollar amount on the cards is yet to be determined. Programming is booming and there are lots of new things happening! Nell Reinwald addressed the Commission via a well-written letter regarding the changes in fee structures for Various activities to better serve the ever-increasing membership and participation. The Bocce courts are almost completed.

Laurie Rockwell thanked the outgoing clerk for her service to the Commission.

No citizens were present for comment at the meeting.

The next meeting of the Elderly Services Commission is September 11, 2025.

On a motion by Pat Torre, seconded by Jean Richo, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Doreen F. Denhardt, Commission Clerk.