

Woodstock Committee on Aging February 27, 2024 - Minutes Woodstock Town Hall, Room B

1. Chair Kevin Downer called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. Roll Call: Wendy Costa, Kevin Downer, Kristen Kaiser, Sue Swan, Melissa (Missy) Jameson, Dotti Durst. Su Connor/excused. Suzanne Woodward/out of the area,

3. Approval of Minutes: K. Kaiser was thanked for taking the notes at the January meeting. Motion M. Jameson seconded by W. Costa to approve the Minutes of the 01/23/2024 meeting of the Woodstock Committee on Aging carried unanimously. There was no February meeting.

4. Presentation by Therese Horvath (Client Senior Manager/TEEG) was very detailed and complete and several questions were addressed. The agency's responsibilities within the 56 towns it serves were enumerated, and handouts for each Committee member for each program were provided. Recurring and especially challenging: needs of "caregivers" and for people raising grandkids. TEEG does have a grant writer. A town-specific database of services and numbers is maintained; request the previous fy data from the Selectmen's office. TEEG does not go out to lobby but they see legislators frequently.

5. Review Senior Resources Brochure by M. Jameson: several positive comments from Members, approved as ready to print. The Committee had hoped that it would be ready for distribution at the Town Meeting regarding the proposed Senior Tax Freeze, but it is appropriate that the BOS review and approve its publication first; changes and additions will be made subsequent to the first printing, if applicable. The town website can be used to post it when the document is ready.

6. Public Comment: none

7. Other from the Committee:

*DD - brought a preview of the Hartford 2024 legislative session; page 2 - "Aging in Place" will be considered. Plans to hold a public forum on Aging in Place and Affordable/Accessible Housing will be brought to NECCOG for scheduling, as they previously indicated an interest. Since the WC0A has no budget, which fiscal year it will take place in is to be determined.

* Reminder: at 7 PM the Town Meeting (senior tax freeze discussion) will be at the Middle School.

* K. Downer reviewed the status of the budget proposal; it was sent on the to the BOF as presented. * The CT Dept of Aging/Disability Services virtual meeting is March 11; registration is available.

* DD: shared handouts of senior activities and support, including Veteran's Transportation Services.

* Reminder: March 19, 5pm Probate and Senior Law Issues Town of Putnam Room 9

8. Correspondence and Announcements: none

9. Adjourn: Motion K. Downer seconded by S. Swan to adjourn at 6:00 pm carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Dotti Durst *Dotti Durst* Clerk, Woodstock Committee on Aging

Note: These minutes of the Woodstock Committee on Aging meeting have not yet been approved. See the next meeting's Minutes for approval or any modifications as determined by the Committee.