

**Minutes**  
**Seymour Commission on Aging**  
**Special Meeting**  
**July 28, 2010, 10:00 AM**  
**Seymour Senior Center**

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Present: Joan Gee, Harry Marks., Bonnie Wilkes, Evelyn Molner  
Lucy McConologue- Senior Center Director  
Absent: Phyllis Jachimowski

Three members of the public were present.

- The meeting was **called to order** at 10:11 AM
- All present recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
- There was no **public comment**.
  
- The **minutes** of 7-14-10 were reviewed and approved as presented.  
Motion-Harry Marks  
Second-Evelyn Molner  
All in favor
  
- **Senior Center Director's Report.**  
Lucy submitted a written report with attachments. Lucy was on vacation for the first two weeks of July.  
Joan posed the question to Lucy about coverage when Lucy is away. Lucy stated that Jack Ahearn or a staff member from Recreation covers when Lucy's assistant is not in. Harry Marks expressed a concern that the Senior Center was locked up on a recent Monday at 8:30 AM. Lucy stated she was covering a scheduled trip that day.  
The bus passenger log was discussed. Joan mentioned that the last few days of the month are always missing due to our meeting schedule. Lucy will include the last few days in the next month's report and also give the Commission of a copy of the mileage log turned in to Town Hall monthly. The issue of the driver waiting at medical appointments rather than leaving and returning was discussed. This issue was raised in a discussion of the ability to accommodate all who call and/or need transportation to medical appointments.  
The Commission again reiterated the directive that the bus should be available for all Seymour seniors and the use should be maximized. Brainstorming on ways to accomplish this ensued. The motion was made to accept Lucy's report for further review. Move-Bonnie Wilkes, Second-Harry Marks. All in favor.
  
- **Volunteers at Senior Center.**  
This was voted on favorably at the last Board of Selectmen's meeting. Lucy states she welcomes volunteers at the Senior Center, but requests something in writing from the First

Selectman. Lucy has concerns because of past union grievances. Lucy's position is that volunteers can not do a job that paid staff also does. Lucy will check with her direct supervisor on this and what direction should be taken. Harry Marks requested that Lucy prepare a list of volunteer duties, solicit volunteers, begin implementation, and report on the plan and progress on the next special meeting of the Commission, on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Motion made as above-move, Joan Gee, second-Evelyn Molner. All in favor.

- **Survey**-Lucy asked what programs people wanted, as expressed in survey. Joan replied that all requests were summarized in the Commission's letter to the First Selectman.

- **Other Business**

The Commission on Aging will sponsor the Senior Bus to be made available to take seniors to the Sunday, 8/15, concert at French Park. Lucy will implement.

Motion-Bonnie Wilkes, second-Evelyn Molner, all in favor.

An e-mail was received by Lucy and by Joan on the availability of a Veterans Outreach session, at no cost. Lucy will follow up and schedule.

The Commission again reiterated that coffee should be free to any and all attendees and guests at the center. The Commission has donated coffee and supplies and will continue to do so. Lucy will provide an inventory and post signs and mention this in the newsletter.

The Senior Center new budget was discussed. Lucy will report on her priorities for the new budget year.

Joan asked Lucy to follow up on CL&P's offer to provide ice-cream socials and energy info to seniors and to report back at the next meeting.

- **Agenda**

The agendas were prepared for the next two meetings.

- **Public Comment**

A member of the public inquired about availability of the survey to Seymour seniors. The Commission responded and stated that the survey was intended to assess the needs of ALL Seymour seniors, (over 3000), and was only for Seymour residents. The survey was available at several locations and also a newspaper article listed a phone number. The gentleman who posed this question was a Naugatuck resident.

- The meeting was **adjourned** at 12:25 PM.

Motion- Evelyn Molner

Second- Harry Marks

All in favor

Respectfully Submitted

Bonnie C. Wilkes,

Secretary

Seymour Commission on Aging

**Agenda**  
**Commission on Aging**  
**Special Meeting**  
**August 25, 2010**  
**Seymour Senior Center**  
**10:00 AM**

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DATE: 8/24/10  
TIME: 5:10pm  
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1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment
4. Review and Approval of 7-28-10 and 8-10-10 minutes.
5. Senior Center Director's Report ( and follow up on items from 7/28/10 meeting.)
6. Senior Center Director's update on Senior Center Volunteer Implementation
7. Executive Session
8. Other Business
9. Prepare Agenda for Next Meeting
10. Public Comment
11. Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted

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Secretary  
Seymour Commission on Aging