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Commission on Aging October 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Date/Time/Location: October 13, 2020 2:00pm-3:00pm
Parkville Market, 1400 Park Street, Hartford, CT

Attendees: Leslie Manselle, Desmond Sinclair, Dianne Bowens, Hyacinth Yennie, Maxine Dunn

Absent: Damaris Bolorin, Deborah McDonald

Guest Speakers: Attorney Lara Stauning, State Department of Aging

Staff: Kimberly Taylor

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1. Call to order, and introductions 2:07pm

2. What's happening Now?

- Chair Leslie Manselle announced that the meeting was held at Parkville Market because the Senior Centers are not available for meetings.
- Guest speaker Attorney Lara Stauning from the State Department of Aging gave a presentation on the following types of Elder Abuse. (Part I)

- Physical Abuse (infliction of pain, bodily harm, mental anguish)
- Neglect (caregiver neglect, self-neglect, abandonment)
- Financial Exploitation (taking advantage for monetary personal gain or benefit)
- Sexual Abuse (non-consensual sexual contact, unwanted touching, rape, sodomy, etc.)
- Psychological/Emotional Abuse (verbal assaults, threatening, isolating, demeaning, etc.)

- Attorney Stauning gave an overview on how to recognize the signs of abuse and knowing how to access the various agencies and resource available. She provided the commission with a detailed handbook/manual to serve as a reference guide.

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- Attorney Stauning provided telephone numbers to report abuse.
 - Protective Services for the Elderly: (800) 385-4225 or 211
 - Sexual Assault: (800) 999-5545
- Attorney Stauning, Lara.stauning@ct.gov will conclude her presentation at next month's meeting.
- Chairwoman Manselle told the commissioners that it is imperative to get the word out to the community about voting. The Parkville Center has been providing meals to the Senior. With the help of Representative Minnie Gonzalez through a grant the center was able to provide 300 additional meals to the seniors.
- Commissioner Dunn announced that the North-end Senior Center provided flu shots, bagged lunches. She also announced that those that missed the renter's rebate could apply for an extension. To be granted an extension, the applicant's physician would have to complete the document if the delay was due to COVID-19. Commissioner Dunn also stated that a lot of rebate forms were rejected due to missing information such as social security numbers not been listed on the forms. She said to avoid delays in processing it is imperative that all information be included.
- The Chair asked the members to review the minutes for February 11, 2020 and September 8, 2020. Commissioner Hyacinth Yennie made a motion to accept February 11, 2020 minutes Commissioner Dianne Bowens seconded. Motion passed. Commissioner Maxine Dunn made a motion to accept September 8, 2020 minutes Commissioner Dianne Bowens seconded. Motion passed.
- Next meeting will be held on November 10, 2020 @ 2pm-3pm. Location to be announced.

3. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 3:22pm

Respectfully Submitted by
Kimberly Taylor, Staff Liaison