

**ADVISORY COUNCIL to the GREENE COUNTY DEPARTMENT for the AGING  
NOV, 12, 2019 MEETING**

Call to order at 2:00 p.m. by Richard Golden with the Pledge of Allegiance

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Richard Golden, Florence Ohle, Ed Bloomer, Lynn Brunner, Larry Krajieski, Judi LoPresti, John LoPresti, Dorothy True, Linda Van Etten & Ken Brooks

**Excused:** Kim Kaplan, Beverly Myers, Lillian Moore

**Absent:** Michelle Deyo, Dawn Wallant

**MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL:** A motion was made to accept the October 8, 2019 meeting minutes by Linda Van Etten and seconded by John LoPresti, all were in favor with no changes.

**Program Reports: Terry McGee Ward:**

**In Terry's absence Ken read the reports for Nutrition, Client Services and RSVP**

**Aging Services: see attached**

**Nutrition: see attached**

**RSVP: see attached**

**Ken Brooks, Business Manager:**

- The Annual NYSOFA AIP (Annual Implementation Plan) for 2020 is due by Dec. 13, 2019

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A schedule for the tentative meeting dates for 2020 was handed out for review. Approval will take place at the Dec. 10, 2019 meeting
- The senior of the Year Committee needs to be selected for 2020. So far we have: Florence Ohle, Linda Van Etten, Lyn Brunner and Lillian Moore. **IS THERE ANYONE ELSE INTERESTED IN JOINING THIS COMMITTEE?**

**OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- The air curtain for Athens was discussed by Lyn & Dick. Florence stated that Community Action just had one installed. She will send Lyn Brunner the information.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Richard Golden:** Spoke about the Coxsackie Athens Rotary Club sponsored "CLOSET" at the Coxsackie Athens High School. Florence Ohle spoke about possible grant options to help fund this project.
- The Rotary Club had a detective come to their meeting to talk about the Opioid Crisis. If anyone would like him to speak at any function, Dick will put you in contact with them.

- The Rotary Club is once again sponsoring a Christmas Party for Bethany Village and Athens Rivertown Apts. This year it will be held at the Pegasus Restaurant.
- **Florence Ohle, Director Community Action:** Grow it Forward planted seeds on 11/8/19. There will be an open house at the Grow it Forward location on Rt. 23, in Acra on Nov. 20, 2019 at 5 PM.
- Here Comes Christmas has kicked off.
- Working on a grant for additional staff training at Community Action.
- Community Action is once again partnering with Catskill Elks to provide Home Delivered Meals to shut-ins on Thanksgiving Day. Avalon Lounge will be offering a walk-in and sit-down dinner to anyone on Thanksgiving Day.
- **Lynn Brunner**
  - November 20, 2019 is Athens Thanksgiving lunch.
  - Dec. 4, 2019 is the Trim a Tree celebration (12/5/19 is the snow date).
  - Will be getting information from Florence regarding the Air Curtain.
- **Linda Van Etten:** Wanted everyone to know that she has visiting the local Nursing Homes and checking in on the clients. Wally Thompson says “HI GUYS”.
- **Ed Bloomer:**
  - County Legislators had their 1<sup>st</sup> Public Meeting regarding the 2020 budget.
  - The budget is once again under the 2% Tax Cap
  - A fifth Fly car for the Mountain Top has been approved.
- **Kim Kaplan: EXCUSED**
- **Michelle Deyo, Director Veterans Services-ABSENT**
- **Larry Krajieski, Director Catskill Mountain Housing**  
Funding for home repairs is still available for Seniors and Low Income Affordable Housing.
- **John & Judi LoPresti**
  - The response to having representatives at their meetings was WELL received. They plan on having more representatives come and talk in 2020.
  - 11/18/19 is the last meeting for 2019
  - 12/5/19 is the Annual Luncheon
- **Lillian Moore, RSVP- EXCUSED**
- **Beverly Myers - EXCUSED**

- **Dorothy True**

Dottie submitted several good ideas for the 2020 Senior Day, they will be passed along to the committee.

The Quilters Guild are making lap robes for the Senior Angels. Dottie will bring them in next month, and the guild will be donating the supplies.

- **Dawn Wallant, Director Common Ground-ABSENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM on motion by Ed Bloomer and seconded by Linda Van Etten, all YAYS no NAYS.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2019 @ 12:00 PM in the Greene County Staff Training Room \*\*\*OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON\*\*\***

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Brooks