

TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD  
Commission on Aging  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, September 20th, 2021

Present: Laura Giovannoli, Debra Franceshini-Gatje, George Noyes, Mary Morrisroe. Sheila Silverman, Cathleen Savery, Stephanie Rowe, Andrea Beebe, Tony Phillips, Karen Guardian  
Absent: Maureen Culhane

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm

#### Old Business

Laura updated the group on our new town email address. The email address is [commissiononaging@ridgefield.org](mailto:commissiononaging@ridgefield.org) and our certificate of insurance. Laura will share email password with the secretary to check periodically. Stephanie provide an update on grant application to be submitted. Deb provided an update on the Covid 19 Memorial. She will follow up tree warden to see if there's been a location identified yet. The Commission discussed a new meeting time, and voted unanimously on a 6:30pm start instead of 7:15pm. Sheila and Laura will work together to create transportation business cards that can be left at town hall, library, housing locations.

Stephanie talked about the Fall Prevention event being held in Wilton with the RVNA. The Commission felt this was a valuable program to be offered at Ballard Green Housing, Congregate Housing and the Library. Stephanie and Debra will follow up on this.

Karen brought up several complaints she's received from residents at Ballard Green regarding incorrect recertifications and missing checks from tenant accounts. Residents are very uneasy about the situation. Deadlines for recertifications were in July. Skateboarders are riding on stair rails at Ballard Green and landing near resident front doors. Police was called.

#### New Business

Andrea made an announcement that she would like to resign from secretary activities. Debra said she could assume the role if no one was interested. The Commission voted unanimously to approve Debra as the new secretary.

Andrea will follow up with Rudy on a proclamation for Dimitris for all the great community support he gave to our seniors.

Impact ideas-All of the commission to research.