

**CSCI Board January 9, 2020 - Board Approved 02132020**

**CLARENCE SENIOR CITIZENS, Inc.  
4600 THOMPSON ROAD  
CLARENCE, NY 14031**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Date: January 9, 2020**

**Meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Violet Oldenski.**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Lori Adams, Barbara Anderson, Jim Blum, Jeff Buckley, Carol Gettings, Mary Anne Kermis, Dave Meacham, Violet Oldenski, Rosemond Ruhland, Paul Schulz, Wayne West, Bill Westley, Darrell Young.

EXCUSED: Taha Bat

Executive Director: Debb Sabbatis

Town Board Liaison: Bob Geiger (in 9:00 am)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MISSION STATEMENT** - Barbara Anderson.

**INTRODUCTIONS** - Violet Oldenski

Board Chair requested each of the four new Board members (Lori Adams, Jeff Buckley, Carol Gettings, and Wayne West), to introduce themselves and then all other Board members introduced themselves.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT-** Jim Blum

December 12, 2019 Regular Board meeting minutes draft. No corrections.

Motion to approve draft minutes of December 12, 2019 made by Jim Blum.

Second by Darrell Young.

Voting to approve draft December 12 minutes aye (7) Anderson, Blum, Meacham, Ruhland, Schulz, Westley, Young. Voting nay (0).

Voting abstain (5 ) Adams, Buckley, Gettings, Kermis, West.

Motion carried.

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

The meeting recessed while Town of Clarence Supervisor, Patrick Casilio, conducted installation of the Board officers for the year 2020.

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### TREASURER'S REPORT - Darrell Young

January Treasurer's Report - Report covering December received and referred for audit.

Investments - Vanguard investments status reviewed. Returns and dividends were covered.

### BOARD CHAIR REPORT - Violet Oldenski

Board Committee Appointments - For the 2020 year. Board Chair read off a complete list of all recommended committee members requesting Board approval. Following brief discussion on procedure for approval, the consensus was to vote on the complete list.

Voting to approve the complete recommended list of committee appointments aye (12)

Adams, Anderson, Blum, Buckley, Gettings, Kermis, Meacham, Ruhland, Schulz, West, Westley, Young. Voting nay (0). Voting abstain (0).

Appointments approved unanimously.

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Debb Sabbatis

COF 01/09/2020

**As of 12/31/2019** - Paid members 1,123 ; Total bus mileage 153,695

**Month of December** - New members 4; Total Attendance 1,314; Activities 1,108; Special Events 461; Off-Site Events 60 ; Meals 741; Bus riders 156; Bus miles 1,700

Comments - Some numbers are a little lower compared to last year. Meals served are growing. Bus service is also growing as members give up driving.

**December Program Highlights:** Annual Tree Trimming; Holiday Marketplace; Holiday Luncheon; New Year's Gala @ Salvatore's; New Years Luncheon

### Upcoming Programs and Events:

January - 1/31 Town Hall, Mondays Yoga (very well received) @ \$5/class, 1/26 Winterfest (Center selling cookies & coffee)

Trip Committee - Hard at work coming up with great trips for this year. Plans for Lancaster, Pa; a Casino trip; Magic show in Canada (Vegas style show).

AARP Income Tax - will be on Mondays from February to April.

Chairs - (replacement chairs primarily for the dining room, exercise classes, and some other areas. Proposal is stackable, no arms, safe, standard size, cushion, four legs for safety, smooth leg bottoms to slide and not snag on rugs.) Chairs are here. Overall a positive response. Using in dining room and sewing room (sewers love them). Will continue to expand rooms where the new chairs are used beginning with arts (ceramics) room. As use increases we will acquire more chairs.

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Septic System - Have had to close the Center due to problems. Have to shut down when sanitary system is not operational. Had a broken pipe outside that had to be repaired. Working on plan for procedure to cover use of lavatories by people who need to dispose various types of soiled pads. Septic system has been put out of operation by flush of pads. Related issues were described.

Transportation - We need detail about what our current liability insurance covers in terms of amount of help drivers can provide. We would like to provide help that is needed but must determine if more insurance is required to do so. We may need an application for bus service that would state what we provide. Current issue is helping people walk to their door. Some other services only offer "curb to curb service".

Member Count - Suggestion that we review the count of members who move away or pass on to better understand membership loss.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **EXECUTIVE & PEC -**

COF Exec 01/02/2020; PEC 01/02/2020

Executive Committee - Met to set agenda for this meeting.

Performance Evaluation Committee (PEC) - Met to review ED performance and consider objectives for the year 2020. Normally meet quarterly.

#### **FINANCE - Mary Anne Kermis**

Annual Audit - Work began in January.

Meeting on January 23.

#### **MEMBERSHIP & PROGRAMS - Bill Westley**

New Chair - Rosemond Ruhland appointed chair for 2020.

#### **NOMINATING - Darrell Young**

No Report.

#### **PERSONNEL - Mary Anne Kermis**

No report. Meeting on 1/23/2020.

#### **LEGISLATION & BYLAWS - Jim Blum**

No report. No meetings and no Bylaw changes in 2019. Expect some changes in 2020.

**PLANNING - Jim Blum**

No report.

**OLD (unfinished) BUSINESS**

Member request - Board Chair stated that the member whose membership had been revoked last year wrote asking when he could apply for membership. Board Chair stated that, without objection, the March 2019 minutes excerpt that was given out at last meeting with sentence stating that the person may apply for membership anytime after December 31, 2019 as stated in the March minutes will be mailed. Comment that the date was not in the letter to the member but was included in the public posting in the Center in March. Since there were no objections, the letter will be mailed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**TOWN BOARD LIAISON REPORT - Bob Geiger**

Senior Center Items -

- 1) Reviewed appointments to the CSCI Board from annual Clarence Town Board organizational meeting minutes.
- 2) Bus - Bus may become available in March.
- 3) Septic System - Had problems before. Maybe new Recreation Center will help.
- 4) State of the Town - Supervisor presentation on January 23 at noon.  
Comment that the Supervisor has also presented at the Center in past years and would he consider doing it again?
- 5) Chamber of Commerce - Labor Law - Free presentation on new minimum wages and other NYS Labor Law changes at Clarence Library at 8:30am on Thursday, January 30.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (received in writing)**

Chair Comment - Comments may be placed on table. There were no comments last meeting.

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**ADJOURNMENT** - There being no other business the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:46 am.

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**TRAINING SESSION** - Board Meetings Operation including executive sessions

**TOWN HAPPENINGS REPORT** - Bob Geiger -

- 1) BarBill - Now open causing traffic problems along the road.

**Next Regular Meeting** - February 13, 2020

Jim Blum, Secretary