

***Lenox Community Center
Board Meeting
January 20, 2021
5:38pm***

Attendance: Sheri Gaherty, co-Chair, Rose Casey, Jen Picard, Darlene McCauley, Director, and Francie Sorrentino. Tony Patella, Chairman was not in attendance.

Public Comment: NONE

Acceptance of Minutes: November 18, 2020 minutes are accepted.

Program Coordinator: Matt reports that we have eleven students for Remote Learning. There is a morning session, Lunch at 11:30, Recess, then the afternoon session.

The Holiday Tree Lighting went extremely well. This event was viewed via Facebook Live. 137 Kids participated; “goodie bags” were handed out. We had 64 Letters to Santa, and our senior’s helped with responses.

Jenny’s Report: YAY! Jenny is back!!! Jenny tells us that “it is good to be back”.

Coat Drive is still ongoing, with a nice selection to choose from. Grab n Go Meals are steady at 12 Meals being taken. We had 25 take part in the December 18th Meal...Kids made Holiday cards for the seniors and Chocolate Springs provided “goodie bags”. Elder’s Services daily Meals are a great thing-folks are getting out, we have 12 receiving these meals.

COA Van ran 10 days in December: 58 round trips, along with Wednesday Shopping. Our Drivers do not have any issue with driving (pandemic).

SHINE: Ginny continues to be a great asset and the new system of working via calls is working well.

January is a whirl wind- settling in, etc. - John is delivering buckets of sand from our DPW to our Elder’s for their walk ways. Jenny is focusing on our senior’s staying thinking and active. COA will be hosting BINGO

soon! Jenny has started a Pen Pals program with our 4th Grader's at Morris. We are teaching Senior ZOOM to assist with communicating with family who can't visit, (I love this).

In February Jenny hopes to host a Community Night Family Park, to provide entertainment for kids to stay busy, and keep parents sanity.

Director's Report: Darlene shares with us that she would love to continue to work with Pleasant Valley once COVID numbers go down. The Mount Light Show was very enjoyable-on a Monday the Show was over but their lights were still up and the Darlene was invited to host guest....388 folks signed up and 305 came- It was amazing and run efficiently with Time Slots, spacing, social distancing, etc. This was all offered at no cost. Bousquet Ski Program: There are 30 kids participating. This program is running differently with the Kids being in Pod's and is only offered to Lenox kids. Kim Davis from Shakespeare wants to work together. Wendy Allegrone wants to run outside Basketball here at the Center, we are trying to work something out.

Senior Services Report: Santa for seniors went well; we realize that it isn't really about the gift as them being alone. Thanksgiving Meals went well...folks picked them up curbside and Lenox High school. AARP Tax Prep will be offered here at the Center...forms will be scanned and processed. Lenox residents will be first in this program.

My Senior Center-Jenny and Darlene are doing training.

Darlene completed and passed her Serv Safe certification, along with CPR and First Aid certifications.

Darlene is hoping for a renewal for use of van with BRTA, there is a yearly stipend. Darlene is hoping to renew in February.

Exercise class is still meeting in the Ballroom with the windows open; this continues to be well attended.

Golden Cane Award is put on hold until COVID simmers down.

*Pickle Ball Court did not happen due to COVID.
Ice Rink did not happen due to COVID.*

Lorenz United came and did a yearly maintenance check and all is well.

Vaccines: COA staff is eligible now to receive their Covid vaccine.

Darlene is looking for “day monitor” hours are 8:30 to 3:30 here at the Center.

Darlene is now a member of the Morris School Council

Darlene shares concerns to the Board, of a possible Dispensary next to our Beach.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54pm

Respectively submitted

Francie Sheehan Sorrentino