

# Shelton AARP Chapter 3240 Board of Directors Meeting

September 11, 2018

## Call to Order:

Walter Roog called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

The board observed a moment of silence for the victims of September 11th.

## Board Members Attending:

Mary Ann Firgau, Linda Gabor, Phyllis Kupec, Byron Peterson, Barbara Piaty, Marilyn Plainer, Joan Platt, Lucille Roog, Walter Roog, Charles Vollaro, Dot Ward

## Board Members Absent:

Judy Duva, Marjorie Estok, Vincent Ribeiro, George Ward, Gertude Wilson

## Guests Attending:

None

## Secretary's Report: Linda Gabor

Minutes of the August 14, 2018 Board Meeting and attachments have been posted to the Board Documents web page. Printed copies of the minutes and attachments were distributed at the meeting.

Board members should supply copies of their reports, reports to AARP, any communications, etc. for the chapter records.

Linda will be away for the October 9, 2018 meeting. Lucille agreed to record the meeting. Linda will leave the recorder and copies of the September board minutes in the AARP cabinet.

## Treasurers Report: Charles Vollaro

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| Beginning Balance (as of 5/1/2018) | \$2,945.31 |
| Income                             | \$191.00   |
| Expenses                           | \$724.05   |
| Ending Balance (as of 8/31/2018)   | \$2,412.26 |

## Committee Reports

### Programs: Phyllis Kupec

September 18, 2018 - Fire Safety in the Home

Phyllis will get a half-sheet cake from ShopRite.

October 16, 2018 - Taking Care of Your Feet

November 13, 2018 (second Tuesday) - Choose Your Electric Supplier

January 22, 2019 - Shelton Senior Center

February 19, 2019 - ShopRite

George has confirmed with the speaker. Phyllis asked if we can buy ice cream cups (at a discount) and have ShopRite bring them. She would make pizzelles. Charles and Lucille volunteered to help.

March 19, 2019 - TBD

Dot gave Phyllis the phone number for the woman who decorates Ukrainian Easter eggs. She lives in Seymour.

April 16, 2019 - Frances Kellogg as a Leader in the Environmental Movement

May 21, 2019 – TBD, no update

**Luncheons:** Phyllis Kupec

Byron distributed the contract with the Brownson Country Club for the 12/12/2018 luncheon. They did not require a down payment. They will include cheese and crackers at no extra charge, served at 12:30. Lunch is 1:00 – 3:00 pm, the contract lists the menu (buffet). Dessert will be ice cream. There will be a cash bar.

The lunch is in the main dining room, we will have round 8-person tables and they will give us a podium with a mike. Christmas decorations will be up.

We will charge \$25 per person and the chapter will pay tax and tip. Doreen and her husband will be guests of the chapter as a thank you to the Senior Center.

There is no minimum attendance, we will give Brownson the count a week before. They will give us a snow date the Monday before the event, if needed.

We will have a 50-25-25 raffle. The board will bring in gifts for door prizes.

Charlie will collect the money. Linda will make the flyer and the tickets. Barbara Piaty will have Betty Goddard call Phyllis about making a sign for the Senior Center.

**Membership:** Vincent Ribeiro

No report.

We need to be sure we collect all the necessary information from new members. For some we just have their name.

We will ask members to show their national AARP cards so we can record membership numbers and expiration dates in the membership spreadsheet. We also need to check that Emeritus members have current national membership.

**Legislative:** Byron Peterson

Byron distributed two handouts from CT AARP, Pledge to Vote and updates on CT AARP activities.

AARP is encouraging people to commit to vote. After you pledge to vote, AARP sends you a certificate. Those over 55 are 40% of the CT electorate. CT requires some form of ID to vote but it does not have to be a photo ID. AARP will monitor all gubernatorial debates.

Upcoming events include Retirement Security Happy Hour at Bad Sons Beer Co. in Derby on 9/13 and free entrance to the Beardsley Zoo on 9/28.

**Community Service / Outreach:** Dot Ward

Dot is setting up a food drive for the Valley Food Bank (Spooner House) for the November membership meeting. Cash donations will also be accepted. She will have a flyer for the September and October membership meetings.

Dot will need help cataloguing the items, checking expiration dates, and loading the food into the car. They will unload at Spooner House and check expiration dates.

Today is AARP Day of Caring. Around Thanksgiving, AARP also volunteers at food banks.

Linda distributed the current version of the Community Contacts spreadsheet and requested updates.

**Public Relations:** Marilyn Plainer

Marilyn got an entry in the Shelton Herald for the September meeting.

Comcast cable lends equipment and provides training, free of charge, for groups who want to record their guest speakers and have them shown on channel 10. Walter will ask the members if anyone is interested in doing this.

**Website / Newsletter:** Linda Gabor

The website has been updated with upcoming events and other current information. The September newsletter has been emailed and posted to the website.

Charles issued a check for \$19.95 to reimburse for domain name renewal. The Weebly service will renew at the end of September.

**Nominating:** TBD

No report.

**Hospitality:** Joan Platt

No report.

**Audit:** Marjorie Estok

No report.

**Health Advisory:** Judy Duva

No report

**Sunshine:** Marjorie Estok

No report.

**Welcome:** Mary Ann Firgau

Mary Ann will handle the new member form if Vincent is not here on time.

**Old Business:**

Lucille, Charles, Barbara and Phyllis will be on the committee to update the chapter's standing rules. Dot will provide advice. Changes include deleting positions that no longer apply. We may decide to have fewer directors.

The electronic copy is in the safe deposit box. We will see if we can access it so we don't have to retype the whole thing.

Byron will look into getting copies of the national standing rules. Ours must dovetail with these. The committee will set a date to meet once we receive the national rules.

**New Business:**

Along with the standing rules, we also need to review and update the Memorandum of Agreement with the Senior Center. For example, it does not mention the board meetings.

Committees can meet at the Senior Center or the library.

**Next Board Meeting:**

The next board meeting will be Tuesday October 9, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted:** Linda Gabor

**Attachments:**

Treasurer's Report (May – August)  
Brownson Country Club contract for 12/12/2018 Luncheon  
AARP Pledge to Vote  
CT AARP Updates  
Community Contacts spreadsheet  
Chapter Standing Rules  
Memorandum of Agreement with Shelton Senior Center