

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL for GREENE COUNTY DEPARTMENT of HUMAN SERVICES
FEBRUARY 11, 2014 MINUTES**

Call to order at 2pm by Chairman Richard Golden followed by Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Present: Richard Golden, Phyllis Beechert, Lynn Brunner, Ernest Harris, Larry Krajewski, Lillian Moore, Connie Bentley, Tezera Hoovler & Terry McGee Ward

Excused: Florence Ohle & Dede Thorpe

Absent: Linda VanEtten, Michelle Black, Larry Gardner, Kim Kaplan, Marie Ostoyich & Dawn Wallant

Guests: Sara Coons (Common Ground) & Nancy Martin (GCPH)

JANUARY MINUTES: On the motion of Lynn Brunner, seconded by Lillian Moore, the January minutes were accepted as recorded.

PROGRAM REPORTS & UPDATES:

Tezera Hoovler, Nutrition Report:

- Received grant from Athens Community Foundation for classes at Rivertown
- Senior Day 2014: Have started meeting; New ideas this year, Theme "Hooray for Hollywood"
- Medicare Basics Program at centers in February – April
- Transportation meeting held: Reviewing nutrition route sheets to improve; Volunteers working with Tezera

Connie Bentley, Aging Services:

- HIICAP: Focusing on preventative care & service to low income; distributed informational sheets; if questions, contact Connie
- Weatherization through Community Action still exists
- Gwen Starke will be doing a presentation on Ombudsmen for ALI on 3/13
- Senior Awards – Received 8 nominations - Rebecca Shields, Catskill; Stephen Tuomey, Tannersville; Maureen Forrester, Cairo; Evelyn Jennings, Greenville; Della Lomoriello, Catskill; Joy Mayo, Coxsackie; Robert Mazon, Elka Park and John Pulice, Athens. Committee recommends Shields for Senior of Year and Tuomey for Outstanding Contribution by Senior. No concerns from any Advisory Board member on recommendations.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Election of officers: The meeting was turned over to Terry McGee Ward for the election. The following slate was presented – Richard Golden, Chairman; Linda VanEtten, Vice Chairman and Florence Ohle, Secretary. After 3 calls for any other nominations, of which there none, nominations were closed. All members voted in favor of the slate. Congratulations to those elected.
- Cairo Advisory Board rep: There has been no response on the search for a new Board member from Cairo. Further discussion was tabled till February.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lynn Brunner – Valentines Day Get-together at Rivertown on Friday Feb 14

Nancy Martin, Public Health: Flu shots still going on; CVS no longer selling cigarettes

Sara Coons, Common Ground: Distributed pamphlets

Motion to adjourn: Motion by Terry McGee Ward, seconded by Richard Golden to adjourn regular session & go into an Executive session meeting. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Tuesday March 11, 2014 2pm

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Murphy, GCDHS Administrative Assistant