

**CHAPLIN SENIOR CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 10AM SENIOR CENTER**

The Board of Directors for the Chaplin Senior Center met for its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, in the Senior Center craft room.

Board Members present: Chairperson Irene Schein, Shirley Rakos, Robin Hoagland, Ellen Gillon, Ann Lewis (acting as recording clerk), Crystal Gebhardt, Janice Godaire, Dawn Gilbert and alternate Joyce St. Lawrence. Absent were Carl Linkkila, Victoria Northrup, Sally Ireland. Joyce St. Lawrence was seated for Carl Linkkila

Others present: Director Lisa Kegler and Assistant Director Lin Grindle.

IRENE SCHEIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER at 10:03 am

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

AUDIENCE FOR CITIZENS: None

REVIEW AND ACT ON MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2025

A motion was made by Ellen Gillon to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 5, 2025. The motion was seconded by Shirley Rokos. Dawn Gilbert abstained. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

DIRECTOR'S REPORT. Director Lisa Kegler provided the report for August:

- Special revenue fund: \$46,299.48 as of 7/31.
- Cash on hand \$99.67.
- Dues for 2025 thus far: \$1,890.
- Members: 420 members removing two this month.

The total number of guests for the month was 906. The total lunches served were 450. Ten regular activities were offered with the most popular being Fit & Fun exercises with 129 visits, Mah Jongg with 72 visits, breakfast with 51 visits, and pickleball with 51 visits. Special activities offered in August were the tax collector (51 visits), Farm to Family (10), Fall prevention presentation (24), Fall prevention visits (12), First Aid class (9), Pot Luck Picnic (63). Also the Car Show had 52 cars entered and at least 200 people attending, with 200 hot dogs and 200 hamburgers provided.

On September 16 Judy Allen will be helping participants with their cell phone problems and questions at 10:00. A presentation on Light therapy will be given by Linda Roman

on 9/22 at 12:15 pm. There will be music on 9/24 at 12:15 pm by Al Raybuck who plays popular songs of the 70s and beyond. On 9/29 at 10 am there will be a presentation by Eversource to answer questions about your electric bill. There will be a class called Survival for Beginners on being prepared for emergencies presented by Sheila Clark, CPR instructor, on 9/30 from 10 am - 1 pm.

The October 10th bus trip to the Salem Cross Inn is sold out. The cost of \$20 per person is being supplemented by the Senior Center special revenues fund. The trip includes a guided tour of the Quabbin Reservoir and lunch at the Inn. The bus is being paid for with grant money.

ART COMMITTEE UPDATE. This month's artist is Shunning Wang of Chaplin. In October residents will be bringing in art from their homes. November and December will feature art for sale from various previous artists. The January, February, and March artists have already been selected.

CHORUS UPDATE: Ellen Gillon reported that she didn't do the usual karaoke last month but plans to have it next Wednesday. Participants have been enthusiastic.

FACILITY UPDATE We have two new grills in the kitchen. A karaoke machine is available in the alcove. Ellen will take a look at it and figure out how to use it.

CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF PRIORITIES FOR USE OF SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS. A suggestion was made to have the holiday meal catered so kitchen staff can participate in the holiday celebration. An alternative would be to have a separate holiday meal to thank kitchen staff and volunteers. This issue will be discussed further at future meetings.

NEW BUSINESS...SUGGESTIONS: none

TOPICS SUGGESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING: none

The next meeting will be OCTOBER 7.2025 at 10AM, at the Senior Center.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lewis