

Hamlin Seniors General Meeting

January 24, 2023

The January meeting of Hamlin Seniors held at St. John Lutheran Church was called to order by Advisory Committee Leader Linda Rabjohn at 12:30pm. with 87 members in attendance. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of Silence.

New Members Walter and Phyllis Dennis, Bonnie Harris, Karen Baase and Rebecca Bessell were introduced and welcomed by Linda. January birthdays and anniversaries were announced. Best wishes were sung.

Linda thanked the outgoing officers ,Ronk Klein, Anne Elphick, and Peg Leverenz for their commitment and efforts during the past years (especially during COVID).

New officers for this year: Linda Rabjohn, Leader, Dale Jennejahn, Deputy Leader, Cindy Smith, Secretary and returning Treasurer, Charlie Hungerford were asked to stand and be recognized.

Committee Chairs Mark Ballerstein, Joe and Val Kessler, Trips and Special Events, Bonnie Hartman, Sunshine, and Linda Olhs ,Crafts, (absent) were thanked for their continued contributions to our group.

The euchre players enjoyed being together again with several members attending. Prize winners included, Barb Siebert, Jim Schiebel, Ellen Whipple, Anne Elphick, and Sandy Strassenburgh

A brief report of the December, 2022 meeting was printed on the reverse side of the January newsletter. Hamlin Seniors guidelines were approved by the membership at that meeting. The guidelines are available on the Town of Hamlin Website.

Charlie Hungerford reported a January balance of \$3963.21. The Sheriff's fund is at \$34.00 and is often used to provide items for the town and Life Solutions families.

Michelle Johnson, Senior Consultant, reported she is working closely with the Town Recreation Department to make Seniors aware of programs of interest to them. She will also send a notice informing the group when a member has passed. The current pin price is \$ 8.00.

Bonnie Hartman has sent get well wishes to Bonnie Boyer, Chuck Mazzola, Joan Granger, Linda Harris and Ruthann Slosser. Thinking of you cards went out to Cheri Johnson and Joan Granger, Linda R. thanked Bonnie for all of her efforts as Sunshine and Kitchen Chair.

At 12:45, the general meeting was paused for a brief period to listen to our guest speaker, Liz Spencer, Town of Hamlin Assessor. The Assessor outlined about how NYS law can possibly provide a Senior Citizen tax exemption to residents 65 years of age and older. She explained a range of incomes can qualify them for tax exemptions from the town, county and school taxes. A letter and application form were provided. Ms. Spencer stressed the importance of seniors coming to her office with any questions.

After the meeting reconvened , Linda asked if there were items under Old Business. Hearing none, she asked if anyone had questions, or concerns they would like to express under New Business. Again hearing no question or comment, Linda asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peg Leverenz made that motion, seconded by Dale Jennejohn. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Smith