

Social Services Commission
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### SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

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# Minutes for January 12, 2016

## ATTENDEES:

Commission Members Public Safety Staff

Benjamin Aponte Kate Lombardo Sandra Peterkin Caroline Temlock Teichman Ellen Bromley, SS Commission Coordinator Kathy Ruther, Public Safety Secretary Capt. Tom Lombardo, Emergency Operations Ctr.

Chair Sandra Peterkin called the meeting to order at 4:37pm.

### **Acceptance of Minutes**

Minutes from December, 2015 meeting were approved.

<u>Motion</u> – Commissioner Lombardo made motion to accept minutes, seconded by Commissioner Temlock Teichman. The motion carried unanimously.

## **Emergency Operations Presentation**

Captain Tom Lombardo of the Emergency Operations Center appeared at the Commission's invitation. He presented a description of Stamford's Emergency Operation Plan. Topics covered included emergency shelters and shelter functions, transportation to shelters, special needs individuals, feeding shelter residents, and accommodations for pets. The Commission asked questions, and discussion ensued regarding the elderly population, and a possible insert to the tax bill with public safety information.

#### **Public Comment**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

### **Coordinator's Report**

Ellen Bromley reported on recent activities including the Inspirica overnight shelter, a mutual housing situation, and an affordable housing review.

#### **Survey Project**

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed some of the survey results. Commissioner Temlock Teichman will spearhead the survey committee going forward. Discussion of letter and categories. An invitation letter will be prepared, and notice will be sent out.

# **New Business**

Commissioner Peterkin discussed example of homeless woman, options and process for homeless.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

Tax insert discussion will be placed on the next meeting agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

Respectfully submitted: Kathy Ruther