

Regular Meeting Minutes
Litchfield Social Service Board
Town Hall Annex
April 23, 2026, 4:00 PM

Present: Elisa Bauer, Amy Fitzpatrick, April Blasavage

Absent: Jeffrey Coming

Also Present: Lauren Wheeler, Assistant Coordinator, Director/Coordinator, Michael Lyn Cappello

Call to Order: L. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm

Approval of Minutes: L. Wheeler moved to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2025, meeting, E. Bauer seconded, unanimously passed.

Coordinators Report:

Transportation: Beginning January 1st ride requests outside of the local area will be charged, however the first 1.5 hours will be free, after that the charge is \$37.50 per 1.5 hours.

State program: 97 applications for energy assistance have been processed. Wells Run will be canvassed soon, program ends 5/30.

Food Pantry: Currently we receive assistance the Connecticut Food Share as well as local donations.

Holiday Meals: Wisdom House (via Benas Grant) prepared cooked meals that were delivered to residents. 50 meals for Thanksgiving and 47 at Christmas. Extra meals were given to Troop L and LVA.

Community Giving: Christmas giving was hosted by 12 local businesses (via stars on trees for community giving) serving 36 families and approximately 100 children. Knights of Columbus provided winter jackets to all children. A Christmas breakfast bag for all families was given containing eggs, orange juice, bacon, cinnamon rolls, pancake mix, syrup, bananas and oranges. Also included was an additional bag of groceries.

Senior Christmas Party: This was co-hosted with the Salvation Army and for both Litchfield and Morris residents, 129 attended. Catering was done by Gia, music and entertainment provided by the KC Sisters and party favors, blankets and socks were given by the Salvation Army.

New Business: None

Upcoming events: May renters' rebate, June Farmers Market, September Health and Wellness tag sale, late fall Wisdom House senior exercise class.

Public Comment: None

Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by A. Blasavage, seconded by A. Fitzpatrick, unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Transcribed by E. Bauer