

**Office for the Aging Advisory Council Report On the 17 June 2016 Meeting
To Taghkanic Town Board**

The Advisory Council of the Office for the Aging met on Friday, 17 June 2016. It was the third of three scheduled spring meetings.

Agency News:

OFA:

- ◆ A new Nutrition site will open soon at the new Senior Center in Hudson.
- ◆ Medicare 101 Presentations will be given on:
 - 8 September, 5:30 PM at Roe Jan Library
 - 13 September, 2:00 PM at Greenport Senior Center
- ◆ A new Program entitled “Columbia County 2017 Reach Program” provided by the Trinity United Methodist Church in Hudson will bring a large group of young people to Columbia County to spend some time doing home repairs such as roofing, painting and ramps. The Office for the Aging is presenting to many senior clubs and centers to get the word out. Applications are beginning to come in now and will be evaluated.

Council Reports:

- ◆ The Livingston Representative proposed a change to the Constitution or By-Laws to allow the OFA Council to accept an alternate member to serve in the event that both representatives are not able to go to the meeting. This would assure town representation in the event that health or transportation issues prevent either or both of the two primary members to attend.
- ◆ A new initiative to address providing affordable non-medical services to underserved areas of Columbia County is the focus of the new program development committee. An update of several service models presented at a recent conference hosted by the Aging Concerns Unite Us (ACUU) were presented and discussed later at the committee meeting.

The next Advisory Council meeting will be 16 September 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Thompson

Town Representative to the Office for the Aging Advisory Council

8 July 2016