

Office for the Aging Advisory Report  
to the Town of Taghkanic June 2022 Town Board Meeting

The OFA Advisory Council met on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

The main order of business was a presentation by Karen Wolfe and Susan Vail from the **EverHome project**. This is a pilot program in Columbia and Greene Counties. Its purpose is to make it possible for individuals to live safely at home with mobility or health issues. It is a software program backed up by a care management organization. It is now available on Apple as an application and the plan is to be available on Android programs within the month. More information is available every week as new programs are added and as clients' needs are found. Karen and her team are available to come and speak to any group. Individuals interested in getting more information at <https://everhomecolumbia.org/> or (877)730-9666.

COVID: Vaccination programs and information is available on the Department of Health website. It is important to note that the DOH will go to towns upon request.

**Farmer's Market Coupons:** They will become available soon and when the town is notified, a notice will go up on the website and a post will go out on the TGazette.

**HEAP** is still available for Emergency Delivery. Call OFA at (518) 828-4258 to request fuel. Air conditioning assistance is also available through the Department of Social Services (DSS).

**Medicare Savings Program:** Call the Healthcare Consortium to ask about this information. 518.822.9920

The Council has approved a meeting schedule change from two sets of three meetings of April-June and September – November to six meeting occurring every other month. This will make a more consistent flow of information both to and from the OFA. The meeting location has also been changed to the Fire Training Center at 50 Grandinetti Dr., Ghent, NY 12075.

Finally, each town sends two representatives to the OFA Advisory Council. Our representative Diane Rodriguez has sadly passed away. Her service is very much appreciated and she will be missed. The Town Board needs to appoint someone to fill that open position.

Respectfully,

Joyce Thompson  
Town of Taghkanic Representative to the OFA

