



Town of Middlefield Council on Aging

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COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING September 3, 2014 1:30 P.M. at the Senior Center MINUTES

Board Members Present: Chairman Howard Knickerbocker, Judy Artioli, Kim Baker, Marge Batorski, Judy Hoag, Priscilla Suriner and Ed Vivier.

Regrets: Laurie Lafreniere

Chairman Howard Knickerbocker opened the meeting at 1:38 P.M.

Minutes: The minutes of August 6 were reviewed. Priscilla made a motion to accept the minutes of August 6, 2014 as written. Howard seconded the motion. All were in favor. 0 opposed.

Brown Bag Program: A volunteer is needed to deliver the Brown Bag on September 19. Suzanne will search for a volunteer. Discussion ensued. Volunteers are needed to help pick up the Brown Bag on the third Friday of each month and lunches on Wednesdays.

Food Band of Western Mass: The Food Bank of Western Mass is sponsoring a Snap Clinic to help people apply for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as Food Stamps, on September 23 in North Adams.

Cultural Council Grant: Judy Hoag stated that there was a \$500.00 balance in the Cultural Council Grant. \$100.00 was authorized at the last meeting. Several events were suggested to use the available funds. An Ice Cream Social to be held on "Heritage Day", and a show titled Mable and Geri Actrics, to be performed by "Comedian" Steve Henderson. Heritage Days is scheduled on October 4. Other suggestions were purchasing a sign for the senior center building, and hiring a masseuse to give chair massages. It was agreed to suggest that Steve Henderson make a presentation to the Board for their support. Judy Hoag will find out if the sign is considered applicable, and Judy Artioli will speak to Doreen Black who specializes in administering massages in nursing homes. Howard made a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$75.00 for the ice cream social to be held on Oct 4 as part of Heritage Days. Kim seconded the motion. All were in favor. 0 opposed.

Emergency Condemnation: Police Chief Tom Austin answered a call from a senior resident in Middlefield. The Board of Health agent Jacky Duda was called in to inspect the premises and reported that the house has no water, or septic. The Selectboard filed an Emergency Condemnation. A hearing is scheduled at the next Selectboard meeting on September 15. The resident has been taken to the hospital.

INFORMATION:

Meal Attendance draft July, 2014

COA Budget Proposals 2014/15

FY2015 Formula Grant/Allocation—Statement of Authorization

COA Formula Allocation Budget-FY 2015
Statement of Grant/Allocation Balance for the FY ending June 30, 2014

Next Meeting: Next meeting is October 1, 2014 @ 1:30 P.M.

Adjournment: Howard made a motion to adjourn at 2:15 P.M. Ed seconded the motion. All were in favor. 0 opposed.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux