



TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD  
COUNCIL ON AGING  
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Senior Center

Minutes

**Members present:** Chair Judith Hoag, Lois Leonardo-Bell, Priscilla Suriner, Ed Vivier, Laurie Lafreniere and Noreen Suriner.

Regrets: Judy Artioli

**Guest:** Pat Jones

Meeting was open at 1:35

**Minutes:** Reviewed June 14 and July 20, 2017 minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve. Motion passed unanimously.

**Director's position:** \$2,500 was funded at the Annual Town Meeting for the Director's position. \$500 will be taken from the Formula Grant. The Director's position will be governed by the COA Board. Duties were discussed. Applications will be reviewed at the next meeting.

**911 signs:** Judith will give a list of seniors to Ed to find out who needs 911 signs.

**Budget:** As of July 8, the original amount was \$4,200 with a carry-over of \$283 from the previous year. \$2,810 was expended. \$ 1,673.35 was rolled over to be used on window quilts and office supplies. The bathroom upgrade account has a balance of \$8,974.68. FY2018 town account's balance is \$5,800 which includes \$2,500 for Director's position and \$1,500 for the Foot Clinic.

**Winterizing:** 2016-17 fuel costs were \$2,200. Using Plexiglas as a covering for the top of doors instead of thermal curtains was discussed.

**Acknowledgement:** Discussion on commemorating Susan Baker Donnelly for her accomplishments while directing the Council on Aging. A tea party was considered as a venue.

**Golden Cane Ceremony:** Noreen has contacted State Representative Stephen Kulik. Many different towns had made a golden cane and passed it out to the oldest person in the town. Not all of the golden canes were returned. Now a symbolic cane is given. It was suggested to use the cane that Eddy James had made for Wayne Suriner and put it on the wall with a plaque inscribed with the participant's names. The winner has to be residing in Middlefield. Someone from the Selectboard could present it.

**Dump Run:** Laurie will host the 6<sup>th</sup>, Judy A – 20 and Suzanne - 27<sup>th</sup>. Judith A. will host Labor Day if she's here.

**Foot clinic:** The clinic is scheduled on September 14<sup>st</sup>. Judith will confirm with Serena.

**Navigating the Health Care System:** John Bergeron and Beulah Mae are due on the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11

**Adjournment:** A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 3:40. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne C. Lemieux

