



TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
COUNCIL ON AGING
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July 11, 2018
Senior Center
Minutes

Members present: Chair Judith Hoag, Treasurer Laura Lafreniere, Members Sharon Barry, Crystal Main, Priscilla Suriner. Noreen Suriner arrived @ 2:50.

Administrative Staff: Director Lois Leonardo-Bell

Guest: Pat Jones and Janet Rock

Meeting opened at 1:42

Minutes: Motion was made and seconded to approve June sixth minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report:

- Mass Council on Aging: Lois submitted the dues request from MCOA to the Treasurer.
- Grant: The COA was approved for a grant from MCOA for three assisted listening devices. The grant covers 75% of the cost for the devices; the COA pays a balance of \$32 for each device.
- Office supplies: Ink and a shredder were ordered.
- Dump Run: Discussion of summer schedule ensued. It was agreed to maintain a regular schedule recognizing that interruptions may occur more frequently. Interruptions will be posted. Hosting: Judy -15th and Aug 5th, Lois-22nd, Suzanne-29th and Judith Aug 5th.
- COA Meeting: At Elder Services meeting, Emmett Schmarsow opposed appointing alternate members. He recommended welcoming associate members who attend meetings but were not entitled to vote.
- Farmer's Market Coupons: A list needs to be made up of people who request these coupons.

Treasurer's Report: COA Account Balances:

Balance of 6/15 shows \$4,415.87 spent out of the state grant. The account is printed out before the warrants are posted. Laurie will go over the account with the Town Treasurer. On July 7, the balance on the Town account shows \$4, 189.13 because of \$2, 959.33 rolled over from the previous year. Discussion ensued about purchases made this FY with rolled-over funds. Judy will review the locks that will be taken out of building maintenance.

Building Improvement:

Further discussion ensued on providing comfortable seating for diners. Wayne Suriner was appointed as the Town handy man. Back room clean-up is scheduled for next Wednesday after lunch.

Photos: Photo discussion is assigned to Wednesday mornings. Noreen printed out several photos to be displayed. Lois will post the mini-golf photograph in the country journal.

Election of Officers:

Chair: Motions were made and seconded to nominate Judith Hoag as Chair, Laura Lafreniere as Treasurer, Suzanne C. Lemieux as Meal Coordinator and Lois Leonardo- Bell as Director. Motions passed unanimously.

Thermal curtains: Laura displayed several fabrics. The original bird design was approved for the office.

Sign: Judy Artioli is committed to paint the sign. We may need to get a temporary sign in the interim.

Foot Clinic: The clinic is set for Sept 20. Lois will go over the schedule with Serena to decide if two days would work. Four more people are needed to complete that schedule.

Medicare Information: David Ryder has called to set up a table. Lois will arrange a schedule.

Merry Go Round: Visits are limited to one day a week because of a lack of volunteers.

BSO: July 23 @ 7PM. On behalf of the Tanglewood Runners, six members of the BSO will perform at the Congregational Church. Donations are welcome.

Next meeting: August 8

Adjournment: A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 3:30. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne C. Lemieux

