

MINUTES OF THE DUXBURY COUNCIL ON AGING
Wednesday, October 14, 2009
8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by John Madden at 8:35 a.m.

In attendance: John Madden, Linda Hayes, Diane Bartlett (for Matt Walsh), Bill Campbell, Pamela Smith, Henry Milliken, Beverly Walters, Ham Bowman, Shirley Oktay, Pauline Flynn, Dick Sigrist

Minutes of the meeting held on September 9, 2009 were accepted as read and a copy will be sent to the Town Clerk's office.

Director's Report (read by Linda Hayes): (see attached)

OCES: Pauline Flynn reported that OCES anticipates a \$30m cut in Services, primarily affecting Homecare Basic. Currently 53 people getting services with 16 in Duxbury. Next meeting on Thursday, 11/12.

OCPC (read by Linda Hayes): Meeting on 9/22 attended by Joanne, Jim Taylor, and John Madden featured Lila Burgess from the Ombudsman Program as guest speaker. The role and scope of this program was described (see Director's report).

Local Housing Partnership: Diane Bartlett attended the meeting in place of Matt Walsh and offered information on the progress of the Island Creek project, including some changes to the original design. The proposal now includes 238 total apartments with 94 assisted living units and no condominiums. In addition, while older units are being rehabbed to include 3rd floor and elevators, those residents will be moved to the new units, temporarily or permanently.

Advisory Committee: Linda Hayes reported for Betsey and Advisory Committee regarding the Accreditation Celebration and the retirement party planned for Julie Cordeiro and Joan Doscher.

Friends Financial Update: Reported by Bill Kearney. See attached report.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Dick Sigrist explained and described what could become a problem for seniors currently using the 'boxes' for their non-cable televisions and offered his assistance with designing a program to transitions those affected.

A question was posed and suggestion subsequently made that we consider offering a 'Thanksgiving Day' meal (Soup Kitchen) at the Senior Center for those with no place to go. Discussion was positively in favor.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45 a.m.