

## SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 14, 2014

Attending: Frank DeRocchi, Patricia Jenkins, Jacquelyn Neill, Penelope Stetson, Nancy Ryan, Shirley Walker.  
Residents: Mike Farrell, Marian Kelsey, Carla Corey.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Patricia Jenkins.

Mike Farrell reported that he was interested in knowing more about our programs. We will send him a questionnaire and respond with information that will help to keep him informed.

Frank commented that the legislative process is working: SAC members wrote and supported a warrant article that was passed by Lee residents that secured a larger amount of property tax relief for our veterans. He plans on discussing with the Select board how Lee Fair monies can be placed in with town funds and he would not have to secure them in his personal bank account.

The minutes of March 10<sup>th</sup> were accepted as read.

**Old Business:** (1) Carla reported that she met with Caren Rossi and the Planning Board will hear our ideas on senior housing at their meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Jacki and Frank will prepare a statement that Jacki will present at this meeting. Discussion centered about both town and private land that could be available. Most likely, it would be private land and a developer. We would be interested to know if the town would work with a developer, as offering tax incentives. Senior housing needs to be placed in the long range planning of the town. (2) Nancy Ryan was sworn in as a member of this committee at the town hall. She reported that Caroline West, volunteer artist for our Open Art Studio held at the library, declined the offer for reimbursement for art supplies. She is pleased to use her inventory built over the years as an art teacher. Shirley will send Caroline a thank you note. (3) Jacki has checked with Linda Reinhold, tax collector, and our tri-fold will be placed in the envelopes with the upcoming property tax bills. Committee members will help with this process. (4) Jacki reported for Jere that the hand out of brochures at time of voting went well. (5) We continue to work on our list of Lee seniors, 50+. Shirley will compile the list as she receives names and contact information from committee members. She will email the current list to committee members. (6) UNH Student Binder: we will choose to put into practice some of their suggestions, many duplicating our ideas, in the coming months. Our first effort will be to mail/email a questionnaire to our incomplete senior list. Secondly, committee members will be available to lead walks at Little River Park on Saturday mornings, starting in May. Dunkin' Donuts coffee and treats will be provided by the committee to kick off the morning social time. Thirdly, Shirley will check with Mast Way School this spring to see if any 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers might be interested in having their students be involved with a senior Pen Pal program next fall. Other topics briefly discussed to possibly be presented in the future were Recipe Sharing Meetings—Food, Fun; Roots—Genealogy; and Social Security Presentation.

**New Business:** (1) Carla reported on the Tuesday 9:30 weekly game day at the Lee Library. Earlier attempts to get such a program established did not materialize, now four people are showing up to play cribbage. There may be some space concerns if the group number increases. The Wednesday morning bi-weekly knitting circle at the library is often tight. (2) Carole Dennis has offered to meet with the committee and we will work out one evening meeting with her in May.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.