

COUNCIL ON AGING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 4, 2005

The Council on Aging held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 4, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. at the Medway Senior Center. Those in attendance included Ruth Cerel, Vice Chairman, Eida Dowdell, Robert Goode, Maddie Corbett, Mary Lou Staples, Fred Tingley and Mary Jane White. Chairman Joe Hoban was recuperating from by-pass surgery. Paula Bisson, Carl Rice and Florence Wheeler were absent. Also in attendance: Missy Dzikczek, Pauline Russo, Kathy Bullock, Theresa Kinnane and Betty Roth.

Ruth Cerel called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. Bills were signed by members.

The Director's Report was read. Mary Jane White moved to include the following article on the Town Meeting Warrant for May: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow \$300,000.00 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the existing Medway Senior Center." Seconded by Maddie Corbett. All in favor.

The Crafts and Activities Report and Outreach Report were read.

A discussion was held on the Council's transportation policy. The Council directed the staff to do whatever it needed to do to make sure people get to their medical appointments. First we should try and provide transportation by our medical van or Busy Bee Transportation. If this cannot be done volunteers should be called until a ride is found.

Missy is going to put a notice in the newsletter to recruit more volunteers for both transportation and friendly visitors. She will contact Tri-Valley Elder Services and if there are enough new volunteers we will offer a training session in the spring.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Missy Dzikczek, Secretary Pro Temp

Medway Council on Aging Minutes
March 8, 2005

The Medway Council on Aging held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. at the Medway Senior Center. Those in attendance included Joseph Hoban, Chairman, Ruth Cerel, Vice Chairperson, Robert Goode, Eida Dowdell, Paula Bisson, Marylou Staples, Fred Tingley, Maddie Corbett and Carl Rice. Also in attendance, Missy Diczek, Kathy Bullock, Therese Kinnane and Betty Roth.

Chairman Hoban called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

There were no minutes to be read from the last meeting since Secretary Florence Wheeler was unable to attend.

The Director's Report was read and accepted. Warrants were reviewed and signed. Budget update was given.

The Craft and Activities Report was read and accepted.

Colonel Matondi, representing the Medway Housing Authority, was present to read a letter from the Housing Authority to quell any rumors about rats at Mahan Circle. They did have a problem with mice but the problem was taken care of. He asked that the Council and Housing Authority continue to work together and if any issues are brought to our attention, please let them know.

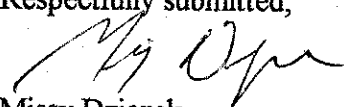
Carl Rice noted that the Medway drivers currently have 18 Meals on Wheels going out from Milford.

Mr. Hoban gave the Chairman's Report.

The Senior Center Addition Committee will meet on Monday, March 14th at 9:00 a.m. to discuss plans for the addition.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Missy Diczek
Secretary, Pro Temp

Accepted: 4/10/05

Medway Council on Aging Minutes

Tuesday, April 6, 2005

The Medway Council on Aging held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 6, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. Members present included Chairman Joseph Hoban, Maddie Corbett, Robert Goode and Mary Lou Staples. Since there was not a quorum, no meeting was held.


Respectfully submitted,

Missy Dziczek, Secretary Pro Temp

Medway Council on Aging Minutes
May 10, 2005

The Medway Council on Aging held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. Members present included Chairman Joseph Hoban, Maddie Corbett, Robert Goode and Mary Lou Staples. Since there was not a quorum, no meeting was held.

Respectfully submitted,



Missy Dzikczek, Secretary Pro Temp

Medway Council on Aging Minutes
June 14, 2005

The Medway Council on Aging held their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. Those in attendance included Joseph Hoban, Chairman, Ruth Cerel, Vice Chairman, Maddie Corbett, Robert Goode, Mary Lou Staples, Eida Dowdell, and Fred Tingley. Mary Jane White, Carl Rice, Paula Bisson and Florence Wheeler were not in attendance. Also present were staff members Missy Dziczek, Pauline Russo and Kathy Bullock. Housing representatives Therese Kinnane and Betty Roth.

Mr. Hoban called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., noting that something should be done about the grass area near the left parking lot – possibly bushes or paving. Missy will check with Dave D'Amico.

Although the Nominating Committee consisting of Mary Jane White and Carl Rice were not in attendance, Carl had informed Missy that they would recommend Ruth Cerel as Chairman, noting that she was Vice Chair last year. Mary Lou Staples so moved that Ruth Cerel be elected as Chairman. Seconded by Maddie Corbett. All in favor.

Ruth Cerel nominated Carl Rice for Vice Chair. Seconded by Eida Dowdell. All in favor. It was agreed that Florence Wheeler will continue as Secretary if she so desires.

The FY06 budget was discussed, as over \$20,000 needs to be cut from last year. Mr. Hoban felt the Director's hours should not be cut. Other ways of cutting the budget were discussed. The Council felt opening only on Monday nights and keeping the building closed the other six nights of the week would save money. Missy is looking into cutting back on the cleaning of the building.

The Outreach, Craft and Director's Reports were given.

Maddie Corbett, Fred Tingley, Mary Lou Staples, Joseph Hoban and Ruth Cerel volunteered to help start up an Accreditation Committee. The first meeting will be on Monday, June 20th at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Missy Dziczek, Secretary Pro Temp

*Mary Lou approves
by Eida*

Medway Council on Aging Minutes
September 13, 2005

The Medway Council on Aging held their regular meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. Those in attendance included Ruth Cerel, Chairman; Carl Rice, Vice Chair, who arrived at 3:15 p.m., Bill Sherer, Robert Goode, Fred Tingley, Mary Lou Staples, Maddie Corbett, Eida Dowdell, Joe Hoban and Mary Jane White. Also in attendance were staff Missy Dziczek and Kathy Bullock and Housing Representatives Betty Roth and Therese Kinnane.

Chairman Cerel called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Warrants were signed.

The minutes of the June 12, 2005 meeting were read and approved.

The Director's Report, Outreach Report and Craft and Trips Report were read and approved.

Discussion was held on requesting funds for an addition at Town Meeting again this year. It was decided to resurrect the Building Committee and they will meet on Thursday, September 22nd at 10:00 a.m. The Building Committee will consist of Joe Hoban, Carl Rice, Ruth Cerel, Bob Goode, Fred Tingley and Bill Sherer.

Florence Wheeler, Secretary, has not been able to attend meetings for quite some time, and replacing her was discussed. No one is willing to take on the job, so Mr. Hoban will be in touch with Florence and see if she is planning on returning, which is the hope of the Committee.

The meeting time was changed to 3:30 p.m. for future meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Missy Dziczek
Secretary, Pro Temp

Accepts: 10/11/05

Council on Aging Minutes
October 11, 2005

The meeting was opened by the Chairwoman Ruth Cerel at 3:00 p.m. In attendance were Chairwoman Ruth Cerel, Fred Tingley, Robert Goode, Eida Dowdell, Mary Staples, Mary Jane White, Mady Corbett, Bill Scherer and Joseph Hoban. Also in attendance: Housing Representatives Betty Roth, Jennie Rook and Therese Kinnane and Director Missy Dzikczek.

The Chairman spoke about the State COA meeting she attended regarding Senior Center accreditation. She did not think we should pursue accreditation at this time, mainly because of cost.

The Secretary's Report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The Director's Report was read and accepted. She noted that we have spent one quarter of our budget so far and we are one quarter of the way into our fiscal year.

The Outreach Report was read and accepted.

Joe Hoban reported that he spoke to Flo Wheeler about her ability to continue as Secretary. She was unable to commit to attending every meeting until she felt better. She agreed that the Council should elect a new Secretary. Mr. Hoban was elected to that position until Flo is able to return.

Mr. Hoban spoke about the Building Committee meeting that was held September 22nd. Carl Rice was elected as Chairman and Missy Dzikczek was elected Secretary. In attendance were Fred Tingley, Bill Scherer and Joe Hoban. Appointed to the Committee were Paul Desimone and Jack Maguire.

Ella Ryan of the Friends of the Elders read a letter she had written regarding the Thursday breakfasts. A general discussion followed. A motion was made and seconded to ask for a two dollar donation for the breakfasts. Motion was approved.

Mr. Hoban spoke about a meeting he attended chaired by the Lt. Governor. Discussion followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Hoban, Secretary

Approved: M. E. L. S.

Council on Aging Minutes
November 9, 2005

The meeting was opened by the Chairwoman Ruth Cerel at 3:40 P.M. In attendance were Ruth Cerel, Joe Hoban, Mady Corbett, Bob Good, Fred Tingley and Mary Lou Staples. Also in attendance were Housing Representatives Betty Roth, Therese Kinnane and Jennie Rook, Director Missy Dzikczek and Crafts Director Kathy Bullock. Also in attendance were Mary O' Leary and drivers Marguerite Fitzgerald and Judy Notturmo.

The Secretary's Report was read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted. At this time she reported a budget balance of \$57,000.00 with \$6,000 left in the grant money.

The Director's Report was read and approved.

Kathy Bullock read the Craft Report which was approved.

The Outreach Report was read and approved.

A letter from the Medway Disability Commission regarding the condition on the bus was read and discussed. A motion was passed to invite the Commission Chair to our next meeting.

A letter was read from the Tri-Valley Elder Services requesting a donation for their Crisis Intervention Program. After much discussion it was decided to request the Friends of the Elders to donate \$500 to this. Joe Hoban was asked to convey this request to the Friends.

A motion was passed to return our meeting time to 3:00 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Hoban, Secretary

Council on Aging Minutes
December 13, 2005

The meeting was opened by the Chairwoman Ruth Cerel at 3:00 P.M.

In attendance were Bill Scherer, Bob Goode, Mary Staples, Maddy Corbett, Mary Jane White, Joseph Hoban and Ruth Cerel. Also in attendance: Director Missy Dzikczek and Housing Representatives Betty Roth, Jennie Rook and Therese Kinnane.

The Secretary's Report was read and approved.

The Chair announced that Carl Rice had resigned form the Committee due to his business work load.

The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. At this time our balance is \$49,836 with \$5401 remaining in the grant.

The Director's Report was read and approved. The Director was asked by the Town Administrator to ascertain where a 10, 20 and 30% cut would come from our budget. That work is in progress.

The Outreach Report was read and approved. Coffee hours continued in October and November and SMOC applications are ongoing.

Susan Bouchard, Chair of the Disability Commission attended our meeting to speak about COA transportation and the training of the drivers. Missy Dzikczek reported that she had requested MARTAP to provide a speaker to the COA about disability transportation. The public and the Disability Commission will be invited to attend. A date has not yet been finalized.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Hoban, Secretary