

MINUTES

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MILLBURY COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: March 20, 2019 at 7:30 AM

Present: Kaye Peltier, Kevin Higginbottom, Rick Townsend, Sarahbeth Persiani, Stuart Mulhane, Marie Kosiba, Edna LaPan, Joyce Sampson and COA Executive Director Judith O'Connor

Rick Townsend left the meeting at 8:30 AM.

Stu Mulhane left the meeting at 8:45 AM

Absent: Stephen Walinsky, Lee Ayotte and Betty Hamilton

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM

VOUCHERS:

Vouchers were signed at this meeting.

MINUTES:

A motion to accept the February minutes was made by Edna LaPan seconded by Marie Kosiba
Vote: unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We received a letter from the Millbury Savings Bank informing us that they are going to merge with bankHometown. Mr. Higginbottom explained the merger and how beneficial it would be for the community. He also stated that the bank would continue all the current sponsorships that they currently provide to the senior center.

We received a letter from Meghan Tunno from MCPHS announcing the outreach educational program. The program offers counseling with regards to medications and insurance coverage This is a no cost Program.

We received a letter from the Millbury Federated Church inviting us to their 100th anniversary celebration of joining the Second Congregational Church and the Millbury Methodist Church to form the Millbury Federated Church. The event will be held at the Asa Waters Mansion on March 24, at 2:00 PM.

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STANDING REPORTS:

- A. Budget and Finance – Ms. O’Connor explained that she met with the Finance Committee to go over the budget. They are opposed to adding staff to our budget. They seemed ok with rest of our budget. Another meeting is scheduled. Ms. Peltier has attended all of their meetings.
 - B. Personnel – None
 - C. Nominating – No report
 - D. Legislative – Ms. Peltier reported on the United Health Care issues with UMass Hospital. The Governor is adding new money to the State budget for the Nutrition Program and Housing.
 - E. Senior Center Usage No requests..
 - F. Building Maintenance/Equipment – Ms. O'Connor reported on HVCA issues. A new unit was installed. A problem occurred as the units were not numbered correctly. We had an additional bill of \$1,000, to resolve the repair. The “ Friends” has offered to pay this bill.
- Director's Report – Ms. O'Connor reported on the Silver Sneaker program. The Zumba class is no longer being for by them. Because we were the last pilot program that was adding senior center, they decided to end the program. All the instructors are now being paid by the Friends. All the instructors get \$40.00 per class. The Memory Café is a huge success.
- Chairman’s Report – None

OLD BUSINESS:

Elder Services of Worcester/Nutrition Program- Both Ms. Persiani and Ms. Peltier attended the meeting. Ms. Peltier explained the March for Meals fund raiser. People could buy a paper plate for any amount and they were placed on the wall. She also explained that local politicians would be doing MOW routes with the volunteer drivers. We will do a press release and take picture of this event. They explained the Encore program being offered to at Risk clients.

Intergenerational Programs/Friendly Visitor - Ms. O'Connor gave an up-date on the current programs. The Outreach coordinator is looking to increase clients in need of the Friendly Visitor program.

Elder Service Work-off Program –The Town Manager is looking to utilize more Senior Workers in the Selectmen’s office on a weekly basis.

NEW BUSINESS;

Transfer Station stickers and cost were discussed. The Town Clerk has asked if the Senior Worker at the Transfer Station be allowed to pick-up an elderly person's trash when requested. Ms .O'Connor stated that would up to the Town Manager. Discussion followed.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:55 AM

Next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 7:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. O'Connor



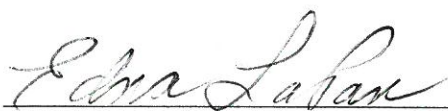
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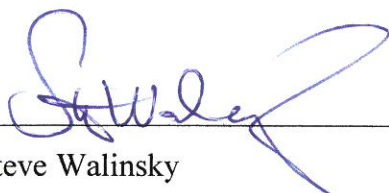
Kaye Peltier



Sarahbeth Persiani



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