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COUNCIL ON AGING

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Date: June 15, 2016 at 7:30 AM

Present: Edna LaPan, Marie Kosiba, Lee Ayotte, Kaye Peltier, Betty Hamilton, Stuart Mulhane, Margaret Masmanian and Judith O'Connor

Absent: Richard Townsend, Lorraine Hayes, and Steve Walinsky

Vouchers: Vouchers were signed at this meeting.

Minutes: A motion to accept the March minutes was made by Marie Kosiba. Seconded by Kaye Peltier. Vote: unanimous.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the Special meeting held on June 3, 2016 by Edna LaPan. Seconded by Marie Kopsiba. Vote Unanimous.

Correspondence

We received a letter from Mary Parenteau, Program Manager for Adult Protective Services for Elder Services of Worcester making us aware that June 15th is "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day."

We received a letter from the Mass Bar Assoc. asking us to fill out an evaluation on the program they provided during the month of May.

We received a letter from Deborah Bent, Vocational Rehab. Counselor for the State. She is offering us an intern, paid by the State, to work at the Senior Center for 5 weeks this summer. Ms. O'Connor contacted her and we will receive an intern the first week in July to assist us with chores. These interns are special needs high school students.

We received an e-mail from Sen Mike Moore asking for a date for his Ice Cream social. The date will be June 21st, at 12:30 pm, right after lunch.

Report of Standing Committee

A. *Budget & Finance* – No Report

B. *Personnel* – No Report

C. *Nominating* – Kaye Peltier attended the Selectmen's meeting to formally deliver our letter and to answer any questions regarding the person that the COA Board was recommending to fill the vacancy of Everett Grahn.. The Selectmen voted to appoint Sarahbeth Persiani, the term will end 2018.

- D. Legislative – We are waiting on the final State budget so see what our Formula grant allotment will be.
- E. Senior Center Usage – We are anticipating a request for a 40th high school reunion for some time in September.
- F. Building Maintenance/Equipment. – Ms. O’Connor has not heard from the DPW director regarding the flooding and drainage problem , in the parking lot,when it rains.

Director’s Report- Ms. O’Connor reported the summer concerts will be provided by Mike and Lucille Maguire and Selectmen King who will co-sponsor one. She explained the Unibank donation contest that local groups are all being considered for and the different amounts of money. The Friends group is hoping to receive one.

OLD BUSINESS

Elder Care Services/Nutrition Program- The monthly meeting will be held on June 21st. The meal site will hold a Crazy Hat day luncheon on June 30th.

Intergenerational Programs. Friendly Visitor - Ms. O’Connor reported on the summer “helping hands “ program. We have added a few more teens to this program.

Elder Service Work-off Program – Ms. O’Connor reported that she will again place the information regarding this program in the newspaper.

Report on the Friends of the Millbury Seniors, Inc. –The “Friends” Group is waiting to get the new transportation contract with the WRTA to continue the van services to the elderly and disable individuals in our Town. If the funding isn’t level funded the early transportation services (7 AM) will end. They also sponsored the “Go the Distance” program for the walking club. Transportation was provided along with T-shirts, water, and energy bars. There were 15 walking that participated on June 7th.

New Business:

Summer vacation – A motion was made by Edna LaPan that no Board meetings be held in July and August, but if a meeting is necessary a special will be called. Seconded by Lee Ayotte. Vote Unanimous.

The new Unibank in Sutton is having a contest , now and until Aug. 31st, for local charities from the Towns of Millbury and Sutton. We are one of the Charities on the ballot. Ms. O’Connor asked the board member to stop by the bank and vote.

Special Gift - Mr. Joe Barbato, CEO of Millbury Credit Union stopped by to ask for idea’s on what he could have the Credit Union donate in the name of Everett Grahn. The Board members were asked to think about it over the summer and to bring back ideas.

Other Business:

The Board members discussed having all correspondence be sent to them via e-mail starting in September. Any Board member without e-mail will receive their agenda and minutes by regular mail.

Dates to Remember:

A motion to adjourn at 8:35 AM was made by Marie Kosiba. Seconded by Kaye Peltier. Vote Unanimous.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith A. O'Connor

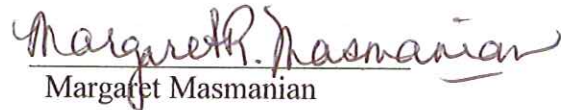


Richard Townsend

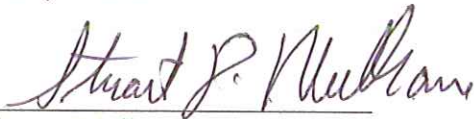


Marie Kosiba

Kaye Peltier



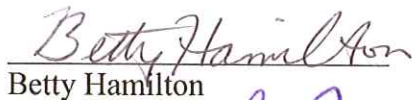
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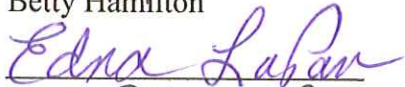


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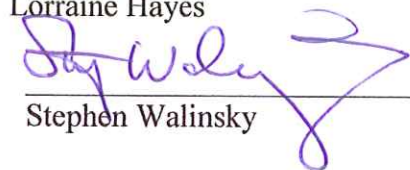


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