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MINUTES
COUNCIL ON AGING

Date: June 17 at 7:30 A.M.

Present: Steve Walinsky, Stuart Mulhane, Edna LaPan, Margaret Masmanian, Marie Kosiba, Kaye Peltier, Lee Ayotte, Lorraine Hayes and Judith O'Connor

Absent: Everett Grahn, Richard Townsend and Betty Hamilton.

Vouchers: Vouchers were signed by all members present at this meeting.

Minutes: A motion to accept the May minutes was made by Marie Kosiba. Seconded by Margaret Masmanian Vote: unanimous.

Correspondence

We received an E-mail from Congressman Jim McGovern announcing a tour and round table discussion on June 13th at the Community Harvest Project in No. Grafton. He is the Chairman of the House Agriculture sub-committee on Nutrition and is a leading champion in Congress in the push to reduce hunger in Worcester County.

We received an E-mail from Michael Nkum, Worcester Division of Public Health asking for us to sponsor a focus group to discuss the Greater Worcester Community Health Assessment. After discussion the Board members felt that they were not interest in helping to organize a focus group.

We received an E-mail from MCOA regarding our Keep Moving Program giving us instruction for our final report. This event was a huge success.

Report of Standing Committee

- A. *Budget & Finance* – No report
- B. *Personnel* – Ms. O'Connor reported that she will be starting 2 Jr. Clerks in July, but has not established what hours they will work.
- C. *Nominating* – No report
- D. *Legislative* – No report
- E. *Senior Center – Policy Committee*- The Lion's club is looking at using the function room on Nov. 30 and Jan 28, 2016. The request will follow, this is a save the date request.

- F. Building Maintenance/Equipment. – Ms. O'Connor read several e-mails from the DPW Director and his Assistant regarding the drainage problem in the main parking lot. The DPW intends to meet again with the P & W Railroad in an attempt to obtain permission to connect an overflow pipe from one or both of the infiltration structures located on the Senior Center property. She also reported on the repairs need to the Freezer. After discussion it was decided that we would check the prices for a new freezer and refrigerator.

Director's Report- Mrs. O'Connor reported that our participant numbers of all our exercise programs are up. In the fall we will be working on increasing participation in the Nutrition Program. The Special lunches are a real draw.

OLD BUSINESS

Elder Care Services/Nutrition Program- Ms. O'Connor reported that they the Elder Abuse Toiletry drive was a huge success. They are bringing up the poverty levels for programs, by raising the eligibility from \$27,000. to \$35,000. They will also have a \$800,000. surplus of funds In their budget. They will also be looking for nominations for the Board. Ms. O'Connor will remain and we will also nominate Kaye Peltier.

Intergenerational Programs. Friendly Visitor Ms. O'Connor reported that we are signing young adults for the "Helping Hands" Program.

Elder Service Work-off Program – This program is going full strength with all the Departments using their time off by the end of June.

Report on the Friends of the Millbury Seniors, Inc. –The "Friends" Group is still selling bricks and are expecting to start the Memory walk this summer. They are also sponsoring the summer concerts.

The Summer concerts are June 25 – The Brass Connection; July 23, Dan Gabel and the Abletones and Aug. 20, Eddie Foreman's Polka Band

Walking Club News. "Go the Distance" was held on June 9th with 15 Walkers. Great success. The walking club meets every Monday at 8:30 AM

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Marie Kosiba that we move the COA Board meeting to 1:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Seconded by Edna LaPan. Vote Unanimous

A motion was made by Marie Kosiba that there be no COA Board meetings held during the months of July and August, if a meeting is necessary a Special will scheduled. Seconded by Lorraine Hayes. Vote Unanimous.

TREASURER REPORT: Voucher totals through June– Letourneau, \$125.00, Direct Energy, \$106.72; Belmont Spring \$11.56, Eversource \$65.75, Friends \$42.94 & 64.81 Powers \$105.0,


Nat. Grid \$251.18, Rays True Value 98.03, W.B. Mason \$113.17 & 294.94, Aquarion \$262.86, EOEA Grant \$1,350., 1,377., 236., 125.87, 157.95, Solar Credits \$322.71

A motion to adjourn at 8:30 AM was made by Lee Ayotte. Seconded by Marie Kosiba. Vote Unanimous.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Judith A. O'Connor


Richard Townsend


Kaye Peltier


Stuart Mulhane

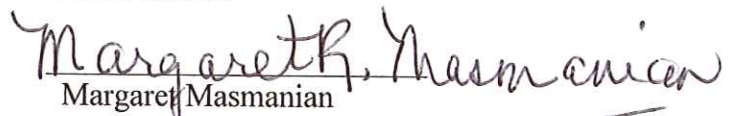
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