

MILLIS COUNCIL ON AGING

MEETING NOTES FROM September 9, 2011

Attending: Patty Kayo, Carol LaFreniere, Mary Skilling, Helen Daly, Ellinor Harkins, Sam Howie, Linda Beyers

Meeting convened at 9:45 AM by Steve Howie

Secretary report (correction: Sam Howie's name corrected) accepted as written

Treasurer's Report presented by Patty:

- Total numbers not yet available – should be in this afternoon. Patty will put in each committee member's mail slot.
- Nothing more to report at this time.

Treasurer's Report accepted as presented.

- HESSCO Report - No HESSCO report this month

Outreach report presented by Carol LaFreniere:

- People are beginning to call now for fuel assistance.
- Cuts up to 50% are expected for the upcoming year.

Outreach report accepted.

Director's Report presented

Old Business:

- Patty reminds all board members to scan hours for each meeting
- Supported Day worker, Carol Cahill has given notice – she will be leaving in October due to family commitment. She has offered to volunteer when available but this is not a viable solution. Patty will ask her to keep one day. Patty will advertise on Craig's List, Monster.com. Must have someone with van driving experience...
- Linda offered to volunteer if Patty is really stuck for help until someone is found.
- The receptionist position has been increased from 4 days to 5 days per week. Irene will still work her Senior Tax Work Off 100 hours starting 11/1/2011.

New Business presented by Patty:

- Cable TV wants to film the board to try to raise awareness and interest in the Friends.
- Patty has requested balance sheet from the Friends – has not yet received it.
- Patty suggests that Judy Ackerman, member of the Friends may be a good choice to do the cable spot.
- Newsletter revisions will be presented to the board next meeting. Linda and Ellinor will meet next week to formulate suggestions.
- Mary questions advertisement – we send our newsletter to the publisher who prints for free. Any monies received from add goes directly to the printer. Medfield produces their own newsletter, therefore, all add money goes to the Council.
- Patty reports that the 2002 Patty Wagon (Ford Windstar) now has 90K miles. We will need to start thinking about a replacement for this vehicle. Patty will try to get the same

type of van as a replacement. The third van is a 2007 model year with about 25K miles. All old vans go for town use as the town maintains all vans at no charge to the Senior Center.

- Fred Dietzel has been selected as Volunteer of the month. Patty will put his picture in the next newsletter.
- Senior Center coverage in the Gazette and the Millis/Medway newspapers is discussed. Patty will try to contact the editors to see if we can get more coverage.
- The Lobster Bake has been cancelled due to low enrollment. We don't seem to be drawing from other towns.

Motion to adjourn and approved at 10:30

Next meeting October 14 at 9:30 am