

**Newbury COA Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes of November 4, 2012**

Attendance: Members: LuAnn Kuder, Dick Joy, Geri Dorr, Russ Pierce
Guest: Martie Joe Absent: Gene Smith, Joe Lojek, Evelyn Noyes, Jean Doyle

LuAnn Kuder called the meeting to order at 1:07
Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Old Business:

Men's Breakfast –cancelled Nov 1 due to Martie not feeling well
Guest Chef Luncheon Nov 7th @ Noon hosted by Barbara Murray (Van Driver)
Blood Pressure Clinic continue on Nov 6 @ 1:00 in Newbury Village
Quaker Hill an Oak Ridge –Nov 13 @ 1:00 and 2:00
Flue Clinic held on Tuesday, Nov 13 @ 1:00 by the Newbury Public Health Nurse
Bridge, Cribbage, Book Group and the Podiatrist will be held during Nov. on the dates
Indicated in the newsletter

New Business:

Nov 14 Van trip to Parker River National Wildlife will be moderated by Alix McArdle a docent for the Wildlife. Those in attendance will travel 6.5 mile for a history lesson on the wildlife.

Nov 15 all are invited to hear about the 2013 Medicare changes. The annual open enrollment for changes and upgrades to insurance and prescription programs conducted by the Shine Program of Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley.

Nov 16 Van trip to the Poets Inn Restaurant @ Whittier Tech.14 will attend and we will do another trip there in December if we have any interest.

Nov 28th Movie this month will be the Bucket List beginning @ 12:30.

Note all closing days for November ...the 12th for Veterans Day and the 22nd for Thanksgiving. No meal delivery on those days. The Nutrition program is closed on Nov 23rd so there will no delivery on that day. The recipients of the Meals on Wheels have will receive a frozen meal to be used on the 12th and an emergency meal pack for use on either the 22nd or 23rd.

Other Business:

Martie gave an update of the Friends Board. Jeanette Isabella, President has resigned (she has been contemplating this for many months) she will be going to Florida for the winter. Richard Booth, Secretary has resigned due to conflict with Martie. Prior to the resignations, the board members wanted to purchase Directors and Officers Liability Insurance protection in the event of a suit brought against them for any occurrence during any public fundraising event. An Insurance Agent was invited to the October meeting to discuss this and will present a quote at the next meeting. An approximate cost of \$2,000 per year premium will be funded from the Friends Treasury. Martie Joe, COA Director and Ex Officio of this Board are not in favor of the funds being spent this way. Martie reached out to her colleagues who also have Friends Board to ask if any of them are purchasing this type of insurance an

those that have responded thus far (NBPT, Merrimac, Tewksbury) do not and feel it is not necessary due to the lack of employees and the small treasury.

The COA Board members expressed the same sentiments that the Friends are not conducting reckless fundraising events where there is excess alcohol or other behaviors that would put them or their organization at risk.

Martie asked the group to assist in getting new members for the Friends Board and Geri Dorr suggested we reach out to the Banks and seek individuals (Mary Ann Clancy, Institution, Jane Morse, Newburyport Five) and ask if they would like to be on the board. It certainly would engage them in knowing what funds are needed and for what purpose. Martie also mentioned that she was approached by Deb MacDonald and Mrs. Mills at the Five who indicated that the Bank Managers are now required to do some community service and they wanted to discuss volunteer opportunities. I think we all agreed that we should approach this group. What the Friends should do to recruit new members is to do a mailing to the existing members to encourage membership on the Board and put together a summary of what is expected of them in terms of time commitment and amount of anticipated funds to be raised in any given year. Some people are not comfortable with asking for donations, but it should be stressed that this is not an expectation of any one given board member.

Martie will bring this information to the Friends board at their next meeting sometime at the end of November.

Next Meeting:

Monday, December 10, 2012