

**Lymes' Senior Center  
Board of Directors Meeting  
November 16, 2009**

**PRESENT:** Vi Gerber, Bill Paradis, Don Tapper, Ann Griffith, Mary Miles, Barbara Blackwell, Frank Balboni, Ruth Young

**ABSENT:** Phyllis T. Shepard, Sherry Meyer, Doris Johnson, Jessie Smith

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Ruth Young, at 3:15 P.M.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:** Ruth mentioned that Jessie Smith was still at Saybrook Health Care Facility. And E. J. Johnson is there also.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Ruth asked if there were any correction's to last month's meeting minutes. Frank Balboni noted that the last meeting had to corrections and that the corrections should have been stated as to what they were. (\*The two corrections at the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting was: Mary Miles name was not put in as being present and the wrong date for the October meeting: should have been the 19<sup>th</sup>, not the 16<sup>th</sup>. Minutes accepted as corrected.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Special events and programs (Sherry Meyer)** Sherry was not present. Ruth noted that the special events and programs are on the back of the fund raiser letter that is going out to everyone. That way everyone will be aware of what is going on at the center.

**Building Use (Frank Balboni)** No report – It was brought up by Barbara Blackwell that there was a family that was going to use the center for a memorial service and wanted to use the stereo system. The people came in, but Sherry was not there to give them a key. Geri Norman, Café Manager had a key in the kitchen. She gave it fo me to give it to the man, but stated that they could not use the system. Sherry had mentioned to Judy that same day that they were coming in and could use the stereo system. Ann Griffith mentioned that it is not up to Geri to say who and who can't use the system. It is entirely up to Sherry. Ruth said she understood that the building use was to be for members only. It was said they were giving a good size donation to use the building. (\$350.00) Sherry said that also. Ruth said giving out the keys has been problem for quite awhile. We should look in to this and find out who can and who can't use the building. Also brought up that the V.F.W. had used the building the building that past Saturday and when we went to set up for lunch on that next Monday, we did not have enough of the regular silverware that we normally use. Jim Noyes went out to the shed and found some of our silverware was in there closet. Maybe we should count the silverware before it is used

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and if it is not all there, maybe we should be reimbursed for it. Also different organizations are using the building, and using things that are not theirs'. They are clearly marked...if they do need something, at least ask. A difference of opinion as to locking or no locking cabinets. Will be discussed further.

**Property** (Don Tapper) Don and Jim Noyes turned back the clocks. Cutting bush in corner is much better to see around the corner. Should cut back more in the spring.

**Membership** (Ruth Young) No Report

**Search & Nominating** (Ann Griffith reports) Doris Rand was asked to take the open position on the board. She said Yes. She needs to be given the proper papers to fill out and give back to Doris Johnson. As for Jessie Smith, will she come back or not? We will just wait and let her make the decision herself, rather than asking her if she wants to resign. Motion made and passed by the board to accept Doris Rand. Now hope that Tim Griswold will accept our recommendation.

**Personnel** (Mary Miles) No Report

**Treasurer's Report** (Bill Paradis) (Placed on file for Audit)

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion was made to eliminate the December meeting. Motion carried. Next meeting to be held on January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Can not have it on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday because it is a holiday (Martin Luther King) and cannot have a meeting on a holiday.

\*Vi Gerber thanked everyone for all their help at the Craft Sale. It was a success and gave Ruth the key to the craft room. I am now RETIRED. They made \$700.00 at the sale.

\*Fundraiser letters and envelopes are done

\*Ann talked about the Senior Star show and what fun it was and hopes everyone who can go on youtube..will do it.

\* A motion was made to send \$100.00 to the charity of choice in memory of Ruth Brietzke who passed away November 12<sup>th</sup>.. Ruth and her husband Ernst were the driving force resulting in the Lymes' Senior Center. (Taken from the newspaper) Motion passed.

\*Mary Miles and Ruth have spoken to Paula and Diane at the Estuary in Saybrook regarding all the work the volunteers have done while Geri Norman was on sick leave. They feel the volunteers deserve more than a pizza party. Mary will speak to the Estuary again. Maybe we should start charging the Estuary rent to use the building. Don Tapper said maybe this is the time to start looking for a replacement for the kitchen just in case Geri Norman can't come back.

\*If Sherry has to go into the hospital, we will need to have volunteers to lock up during the week: Monday (The Bridge Club) Tuesday (Ruth Young) Wednesday( Ann Griffith) Thursday(Bill Paradis) and Friday(????)

\*Also, the building does not have to stay open till 4:00 P.M. If there is nothing going on but a note must be put up stating what time the building closed.

There will be short executive meeting after the regular meeting..(Because Sherry was not there, it was done at the regular meeting.)

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Dutton,  
Recording Secretary

**CC: Board of Directors, Lyme & Old Lyme Selectman, Lyme & Old Lyme Town Clerks, Senior Center Director**

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, JANUARY 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 3:00 P.M.**