Lymes' Senior Center Monthly Meeting September 14, 2009

Present: Ruth Young, Bill Paradis, Sherry Meyer, Phyllis-Tambini Shepard, Annie Griffith, Barbara Blackwell, Jessie Smith, Vi Gerber, Don Tapper, Jim Nichols, (Late) MPN MILES

Absent: Doris Johnson, Frank Balboni

- *Meeting called to order by Chairperson, Ruth Young at 3:00 P.M.
- *Ruth handed out a list with Officers and Committees for 2009-2010
- *Chairpersons' Remarks:
 - -Speak up so everyone can hear you
 - -One person at a time, if possible
 - -Introduced Judy Dutton as new recording secretary
 - -Sherry will work with Judy for the first time
 - -Everyone given a copy of the re-arranged committee list
- *Executive Officers, plus Phyllis S. Tambini, Don Tapper, Doris Johnson
- *Executive Board needs 7 people to be legal
- *Searth and Nominations: Doris Johnson resigned. Ann Griffith & Vi Gerber will represent Old Lyme & Barbara Blackwell represent Lyme
 - -No secretary's report for June or July
 - *Ruth mentioned that she and Rosie Fox will be receiving their 65th year Membership in Lyme Grange
 - *Mary Miles with be attending her 65th year class reunion
 - *Executive Report: Vice-Chairperson, Mary Miles Motion made to accept motion passed
 - *Treasurer's Report: Bill Paradis: (Placed on file for Audit)
 - *Ruth gave report on summer concerts Jim Nichols asked her to write to the Ladies Benevolent Society to specify how much money they would be giving to the center. They need to give away the money they on their White Elephant Sale. Since they were meeting the next day and because Jim was so insistent that I do this...I did do it, under duress, because I do not approve of asking anyone for a specific amount and I will not do it again. To this date, nothing as been decided about what will be given.
 - .*Communications: No Report
 - *Committee Reports:
 - *Special Events Coordinator: Phyllis Shepard-Tambini
 - -Phyllis said she was not at the Ice Cream Social but understood that everyone had fun and that Cloie was the center of attraction. Phyllis mentioned the list of things that will be going on and will help with the things that are not the Senior Clubs

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*Building Use: Frank Balboni

Frank Balboni was not here

-Ruth made the comment that if you had come into the center this morning you would have seen all the activity going on: i.e. The Bridge Club, The New Beginners Bridge Club, The V.N.A. and the Duck River Club later -Sherry mentioned that she felt the sign-in book is rather useless because no one counts the pages anyway.

*Programs & Directors Report: Sherry Meyer

- -We had July 15th B-I-N-G-O July 17th AARP Drivers Course July 23rd The Lobster Bake Haircuts the 1st Monday of the Month which is doing very well Pizza Day in August The Ice Cream Social August 19th B-I-N-G-O and August 24th Rod Steward (Bob Mell) with a free program from Health Net We also had a Bookmarks Class and Card Making Classes, which everyone enjoyed.
- -Sherry spoke about the two accidents with the Transit Buses vs the building overhang.
- -No one seems to be cleaning the bathrooms Bill said the cleaner does get paid.
- Don Tapper said he would call him and if he doesn't do it we will need to get someone else to do it.

*Property: Don Tapper

- -The Stop as you leave the Senior Center Mary Miles said you can hardly see the sign until you are on top it. We know it is there but others may not.
- -Don said he would call the Town Garage to get it moved
- -Met with the adjuster for fixing the overhang damaged by the Transit Bus
- -The check went to the Town Hall so they will benefit from the remainder of what was left of the money.
- -Who is responsible for the cleaning of the floors in the kitchen The Estuary or the Senior Center...the floors are filthy
- -Should we do the floors again in the dining room...
- -Bill mentioned new refrigerator in the kitchen and how fast we got it
- -Spots on the ceilings in bathroom's appear to be from condensation leaks from the refrigeration lines that feed the air conditioning units.

*Membership: Ruth Young

- -She said that everyone who donated got a thank you note..and if you got a personal thank you, consider that your thank you note.
- *Personnel: Mary Miles (No Report)

*Old Business:

-The microphone should be ready shortly...(we hope)

-Ruth mentioned that Jim Noyes in concerned about the cracks in the pavement in the parking lot...he is afraid someone will catch their heel and fall...Doris Johnson said at another meeting that it is the towns responsibility under maintenance.

*New Business:

- -Craft material from Lucille Gear is in the shed
- -We need to finish marking it and set a date for a sale
- -Sherry has done a volunteer sign-up list who those who would like to help get things started
- -Should be have the sale during the week when people are at the center or should we have it on a weekend????
- -Should we have it as a tag sale and last one day or have it inside the center and leave up for awhile????
- -Bill Paradis recommended that we eliminate the payroll service that we use for Sherry's check.
- -He has all the software that is needed to do the check himself...and any information that anyone would like to see is only "a push button away" just ask to see what you would like to see....I.E. weekly, quarterly, etc.
- 🕳 Jim Nichols said he would like to table it until the next week....Bill
 - -Asked WHY???
 - -Jim feels it is a conflict of interest..
 - -Ruth said it has been tabled three times already.
 - -Motion made to eliminate the payroll system and have Bill make out Sherry's check....Motion seconded and carried.
 - -Bill asked if we should have a Annual Fund Drive?
 - -Last one we did was a regular routine for donations and did not get to the town
 - -Usually one is done between October and early November
 - -Bill and Ruth will write a letter together....

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Dutton,

Recording Secretary

Cc: Board of Directors, Lyme & Old Lyme Selectman, Lyme & Old Lyme Town Clerks. Sr. Center Director

Next Meeting: Monday, October 16th, 2009 at 3:00 P.M.