

Seekonk Human Services Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 27, 2014 @ 3:30pm
Board of Selectmen Meeting Room

Attendance: Beverly Della Grotta, Anita Gendron, Anne Libby, Vicki Kinniburgh, Guy Boulay, Adriana Dossantos (Outreach Case Worker), Ashley Pimental (Senior Secretary)

1. Open meeting at 3:30pm
2. Pledge Allegiance
3. Minutes from December 15, 2014
 - a. **MOTION:** Anne makes a motion to approve the minutes
 - b. **SECOND:** Anita seconds the motion
 - c. **VOTE:** Unanimous
4. Old Business
 - a. New Building
 - i. Next building committee meeting is Thursday, April 30th at 7pm
 - ii. Ask Dave Bowden to come to the next Board meeting to give an update
5. New Business
 - a. Moving forward
 - i. Trips
 1. Newport Playhouse has 2 buses going with 100 people
 2. Gloucester has 30 people already
 3. Fenway Park has 27 people
6. Directors Report
 - a. For the Circuit Breaker in the month of March there was 37 people served
 - b. There were not enough appointments. Clients were directed to North Attleboro and Rehoboth
 - c. Adriana asks the board to make a recommendation to add another day for taxes to be done
 - d. AARP on Thursdays has 9 appointments set aside to aid people with their taxes
 - e. Fuel Assistance: the winter has been harsh; we have been able to help residents on an emergency basis once a year through the town utility account (donations), Friends of Friends, and Salvation Army.
 - f. Clients who are over income for Fuel Assistance are referred to the Good Neighborhood Fund from Salvation Army. Clients cannot be more than \$10,000 over income limits. They can receive a onetime assistance of \$275
 - g. Fuel Assistances has increased in our Town although oil prices have decreased
 - h. Outreach has had a steady number of clients in the month of March
 - i. MassHealth Connector has been very active. We process the applications at our office for the client. The final step is for the client to go to Sturdy to choose a plan with a MassHealth specialist
 - j. Newsletters: We had a great turn out of volunteers for March
 - k. Rite Aid will be implementing a new Outreach Program and will be coming to our TRIAD meeting on April 27
 - l. Adriana took a class from Boston University to earn a certificate in Behavior Health and Aging.

7. Other Business
8. Members Speak
 - a. Beverly: Kiwanis 5k race is happening in September
 - b. Beverly: \$618 was made at the polls for selling cards and is going into the Friends of Seekonk Senior Center account
9. Next Meeting
 - a. Monday, June 1, 2015 @ 3:30pm and Monday, June 29, 2015 @ 3:30pm
10. **MOTION:** Guy made a motion to adjourn at 4:00pm
 - a. **SECOND:** Anne second the motion
 - b. **VOTE:** Unanimous