

**Seekonk Human Services
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, March 26, 2012 @ 3:30pm**

Attendance: Beverly Della Grotta, Christine Allen, Rene Andrews, Lynn Neves, Anne Libby, Anita Gendron, Bernadette Huck (Director), and Ashley Pimental (Senior Secretary)

1. Open meeting on Monday, March 26, 2012 @ 3:34pm
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Minutes from 2/27/12 7a & 7e Chris is spelt Christ and needs to be corrected
 - b. Chris would like minutes to have more in-depth discussion to clarify what was discussed at meeting
 - c. Viki needs to be spelt Vicki
 - d. **MOTION:** Chris made a motion to accept the minutes from 2/27/12 with the changes
 - i. **SECOND:** Rene seconds the motion
 - ii. **VOTE:** Unanimous
3. Old Business
 - a. Fundraising/200th Anniversary
 - i. Chris put together a list of items that should be included in a cookbook that will be distributed to town employees as well as residents
 - ii. The cookbook should have a caution section that says 'recipes may contain peanuts, gluten, and lactose'
 - b. Automated Phone Service
 - i. Phone calls will be made by volunteers prior to April 2, 2012 voting for the Senior Center
 - c. Televised Meeting
 - i. **MOTION:** Chris made a motion to table the item until next meeting
 1. **SECOND:** Rene seconds the motion
 2. **VOTE:** Unanimous
 - d. Anita for Johnson & Wales Inn Anniversary
 - i. Anita spoke with Nancy at the JW Inn, the menu selections were expensive
 - ii. Nancy did tell Anita to bring in menus from other restaurants that advertise cheaper prices, Nancy would check with the Chef to see if they could work out a price point
 - iii. Anne spoke with Daparma to get a second price
 - iv. Anne would like to know what is for the anniversary the luncheon or the cookbook
 - v. Anne suggests that a motion should be made for the board to do a luncheon for the towns 200th anniversary
 - vi. Bernie will speak with Karen to contact Dan Horton to see if he is interested in speaking at a luncheon about the History of Seekonk
4. New Business
 - a. Elections

- i. Election hours are 7am to 8pm at the Seekonk High School
 - ii. Board Elections for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson should be done after reappointments in July
- b. Meet the candidates
 - i. The board of selectmen candidates came to Seekonk Human Services for a meet and greet
 - ii. Candidates were able to talk about what their views are as well as answer questions from the audience
- c. Directors Report
 - i. The Library will have a new course – Dollars and Pennies. The class is geared towards women to help handle finances
 - ii. Easter Party is April 4th and Barney Mallon will be the entertainment
 - iii. Adriana will be hosting a Senior Spring Fling on Sunday April 29th from 2-5pm
 - iv. May 9th is the Silver Tea at Johnson & Wales Inn, women ages 75 and older are welcomed to come, the limit is 100 people to attend
 - v. Spring Spectacular with Betty Poirer is going to be held on Friday, April 20th at the North Attleboro Middle School, transportation will be available through GATRA
 - vi. Chicken & Slots: Wrights Chicken Farm and Twin River Casino
 - vii. July 9th will be Lobsterfest at Newport Playhouse with the Kitchen Witches play
 - viii. Diabetes program for TRIAD in April, a nurse will be coming in to talk about the importance of taking care of yourself
 - ix. May will have the second part of the Diabetes program and will be about cooking and dining
 - x. Chef on a Shoe String will be starting on Tuesday, March 27th for 6 weeks
 - xi. Phone Log: The Activity and Phone Log data shows that Veronica had minimal calls. The problem is that many calls are written down in the phone log book but not always logged in on My Senior Center. This will be taken care of for the future.

5. Members Speak

- a. Anita spoke to a client about transportation. Client needs dialysis, GATRA has changed transportation for m-w-f to Providence. Tuesday and Thursdays for Attleboro and Plainville area. Client is eligible for MedWheels because of clients doctors meets the criteria
- b. Chris received a phone call from a concerned resident. The resident is concerned that Town funds were used to advertise. Bernie states that no Town funds were used for the advertisement for the Senior Center. All funds were from donations from outside organizations.
- c. Chris is talking about a presentation that was supposed to be done on Wednesday, March 21st at 10 by Pam Nolan, Town Administrator. Chris said that residents who attended the presentation were upset that they didn't get a chance to talk. Bernie said it was a miscommunication; Pam Nolan did her TV show. Pam Nolan has been going to the departments in the town to conduct her TV show.

- d. Bernie said there is a Building Committee meeting tonight at 6:30. There has been miscommunication about the new building with how people feel. Each resident needs to make their own opinion.
 - e. Chris and Beverly accompanied Bernie to the Finance Meeting to go over budget. Chris said the meeting will not be televised because it was not recorded.
6. Next Meeting
- a. Monday, April 23 @ 3:30pm
7. **MOTION:** Anita made a motion to adjourn at 4:38pm
- a. **SECOND:** Anne second the motion
 - b. **VOTE:** Unanimous