## Seekonk Human Services Meeting Minutes Monday, October 5, 2015 @ 3:30pm Board of Selectmen Meeting Room

**Attendance:** Rene Andrews, Anita Gendron, Beverly Della Grotta, Vicki Kinniburgh, Bernadette Huck (Director), Ashley Cartwright (Senior Secretary)

- 1. Open Meeting at 3:31pm on October 5, 2015
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Minutes from June 22, 2015
  - a. Ashley will revise minutes for next meeting
- 4. Old Business
  - a. Update on New Building
    - i. Contract with contractor should have been signed on October 2, 2015
    - ii. There will be a 160 day contract with the contractor for the timeline of the construction
    - iii. The total project should be completed early spring
    - iv. Bernie is looking to do an Arts Lottery Grant for Entertainment for the senior center when it opens
    - v. Anita suggested Meredith Arico from Clifton Christmas Party
- 5. New Business
  - a. Fall Plans
    - i. Halloween Party October 28, 2015
    - ii. Veterans Celebration November 4, 2015
  - b. Pasta Fest
    - i. We raised \$3,077 (comparable to 2014)
    - ii. Wednesday night may be a better night due to Tuesday and Thursday nights normally being cards
    - iii. Two Selectmen attended
    - iv. In the future October would be a better month
  - c. Holiday Baskets and Meals
    - i. Waiting on Outback Steakhouse to do our meals
    - ii. Personal Best Karate to do baskets
    - iii. Create a poster for the commons regarding meals to the home bound
- 6. Directors Report
  - a. Bernie will be at a conference this week, October 7-9
  - b. Adriana and Kim are attending the conference on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>
  - c. Bernie is posting an internal job for an Assistant Director to start on January 1<sup>st</sup>
  - d. Salvation Army has given us two locations for kettle ringing, Walmart and Hobby Lobby
  - e. Hoarding is becoming more of an issue for our residents in our Town. Catholic Charities have helped enormously with the cost. Other churches in Town have not responded to the donation request letter
  - f. Back to school bags
    - i. Mt. Carmel put together 187 back packs
    - ii. We assisted approximately 10 families

- g. Donations for the Senior Center
  - i. List of all businesses
  - ii. Find out who is in charge of donations
  - iii. Find out about room donations
- h. Create donation letter for next meeting and list of all businesses
- 7. Other Business
- 8. Members Speak
  - a. Rene asked me to contact Donovan Travel about Hu-Ki-Lau, Penn Dutch for 2016, Lobster Fest @ Newport Playhouse for 2016
- 9. Public Speaks
- 10. Next Meeting
  - a. Monday, October 26, 2015 @ 3:30pm
  - b. Monday, November 16, 2015 @ 3:30pm
  - c. Monday, December 14, 2015 @ 3:30pm
- 11. Adjourn
  - a. **MOTION:** Anita made a motion to adjourn at 4:32pm
  - b. **SECOND:** Rene second the motion
  - c. **VOTE:** Unanimous