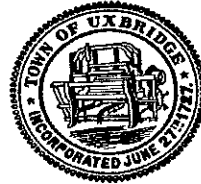


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Meeting

Cancellation

Board or Commission COA

Meeting Date Tues 1/12/16

Time 4:00 PM

Place Uxbridge Senior Center

Authorized Signature _____

I. Call to Order

Call to Order @ 4:00 pm

Reading of Available Meeting Minutes

II. Old Business

Treasurer's Report

Director's Report

Budget Discussion

Patio Discussion & Future Vision

New Business

Old Business

III. New Business

IV. Executive Session

V. Adjournment

Meeting Postings:

A public body must post notice of the date, time and place of a meeting at least 48 hours in advance of said meeting, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. The notice must include a list of topics the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting, specific enough so that the public can understand the agenda. If posted, notice may be updated with additional topics, but only if re-posted 48 hours in advance of the meeting in the same manner as above. If a sudden, generally unexpected set of circumstances demands immediate action from a public body, an "emergency" meeting may be held, and notice shall be posted as soon as possible prior to said emergency meeting.

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Council on Aging Meeting

Date: January 12, 2016

Time: 4 PM

Place: Uxbridge Senior Center

Attendance: Marsha Petrillo, COA Director; Jack Daley, Chair; Cathy Thornton, Sec'y;

Shirley Schultzburg, Marie Potter, Jean Daley, Edwina Porter

Guest: Gail Boutiette

Minutes of Dec 8, 2015 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: All accounts in good shape. Increased vehicle maintenance so in that area there were overages and some concern has arisen regarding vehicles going forward.

Very good donations during holiday season in area of food, transportation and gifts.

Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously.

Director provided spreadsheet report of fiscal year 2016 (7/1/15-6/30/16) so it covers July to December thus far. It shows great numbers regarding use of facility and services provided by Senior Center staff.

Annual Report for the Town Book is being prepared and ready to be submitted.

Old Business:

Readying phase two of Patio Garden construction. Area has been cleared and mapped out. More work will be set to go in spring. Still aiming for May use. Time line will be checked on. Design plan, etc., is being worked on by local people volunteering expertise in the field. Mr. Tavares continues to be the driving force and coordinator for the project.

New Business:

Grants and other means for funds for vehicles will need to be pursued. Senior Center vehicles are getting old and need more frequent repairs for which we have no budgeted funds.

Some ideas for possible fundraisers were discussed. Some fun events like evening entertainments held at local venues, a photo calendar of Uxbridge. At this time it is uncertain if Uxbridge Elderly Connection will be holding 11th Annual Golf Outing.

The COA asserts that clearly something must be done to increase budget provided by town for the vital services provided by the Uxbridge Senior Center. Fundraisers alone cannot sufficiently supplement the needs of staff, facility and vehicles. More space would provide additional activities for social, health and educational needs. Increased funds to compensate underpaid staff and provide additional staff are needed, also. Even better services could be provided and even better use of the facility for a variety of events satisfying a number of needs could be offered. The Uxbridge Senior Center could be the hub of activities for a growing number of our community members if those who control the purse strings would acknowledge their needs and raise the Senior Center's priority level from the bottom of the list. We have amazing volunteers and community human resources who are willing to serve if only their service were feasible to employ. We realize Uxbridge has taken on a number of urgent, important, and exciting projects desperately needed, but a little more attention must be paid to seniors whose needs require more than a cursory nod.

February 12 will be Valentine's Day Luncheon provided by Uxbridge Elderly Connection and Whitney Place Assisted Living of Northbridge.

February 28 Leap Year Breakfast at Uxbridge Senior Center to benefit First Night (food) and Uxbridge Elderly Connection (raffles).

Next meeting set for February 9 at 4 PM.

Minutes submitted by

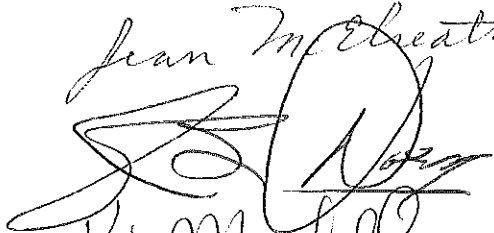
Catherine Thornton, Council on Aging

Council on Aging Minutes Approval for January 12, 2016

Catherine Thornton

Mary Potter

Jean McElreath

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Rita Marshall

Adriana Porter

