MINUTES OF MEETING **COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DATE:

April 1, 2015

TIME AND PLACE:

1:00 p.m.

Room 208

Multi-service Center

IN ATTENDANCE: Corinne Baker

Rosalie Bulu Peter Dunlop Sharon Frank Judith Peterson Muriel Slaney

ABSENT:

Francine Balanca

Nancy Sawyer

Sandra Grossman

GUESTS:

Pam Dudley

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Peter Dunlop

Minutes of March 4, 2015 distributed

Announcements: None

Citizen Participation:

None

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:

- 1. Election of Clerk: It was decided to delay the election of the new Clerk until the May meeting. Sandra Grossman has agreed to replace Muriel Slaney as Clerk but is unavailable until May.
- 2. Organize delivery of Beacon: In order to ensure more efficient delivery of the Beacon, routes were assigned to each member of the Board. John DeBella also offered to deliver a quantity and was assigned a route.

3. <u>Use of available funds through COA accounts:</u> The Grant Account of the COA has approximately \$17,000 in the account. It is still not clear what these funds may be used for. The question of providing flags for the Veterans for Memorial Day was discussed and tabled as it was unlikely that funds may be used for that purpose.

A gift of \$3,000 to Old Colony Elder Services was discussed. It was determined through research of Old Colony that in the year 2012, (last available on-line report) Old Colony had received \$26M in grants and gifts. No consensus was reached on providing a gift.

4. <u>Provide resources for COA kitchen</u>: It was suggested that a gift could be made to defray out-of-pocket expenses for Cheryl Johannsen. The Board was informed by Pam Dudley that reimbursement is provided when receipts are presented to her.

OTHER TOPICS:

- 1. Chairman Dunlop announced that details regarding the Senior Work-off Program were as follows: Program will be income based; participants must be 60 years of age or older; forms are available at the COA office, Selectman's Office or on the Town website.
- 2. The possibility of including the work-off forms in the Census was discussed and Chairman Dunlop will inquire about that possibility for 2016.
- 3. Selectwoman Judith Whiteside and Selectman Alan Slavin had accompanied the Meals on Wheels driver and reported to Chairman Dunlop that some of the conditions were abhorrent. Chairman Dunlop asked if each member would consider taking a turn at accompanying the driver to observe these conditions. All present agreed that they would make themselves available for a day.

<u>Consent Agenda</u>: Minutes of March 4, 2015 were accepted with changes i.e. change <u>Paula</u>. Porter to <u>Priscilla</u> Porter.

Next Meeting Date:

May 6, 2015

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Meeting Adjourned:

Meeting adjourned on a vote of 6-0 at 2:14p.m.

Prepared by Muriel June Slaney, Clerk