

Wellfleet Council on Aging
Minutes: Board Meeting
Monday, October 23, 2000

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Attendees: Cal Anderson, Faith Driggs, Priscilla Jenkins, Betty Kimball, Stan Macie,
Arno Masters, Steve Pechonis, Jacqui Wildes, Director.

Absent: Adele Anderson, Frank Corbin, Russell Holt.

Betty Kimball Chair, presided. Meeting called to order 10:00 a.m.

Minutes from September 24, 2000 meeting accepted.

Treasurer's report was accepted. (Providers of transportation services have been delinquent in submitting bills promptly.)

Proposals for COA goals were presented and discussed:

There is a need for all house numbers to be displayed. Also, road signage would be helpful in assisting seniors. Jacqui will contact Police/Fire to identify who is in charge of house numbering program.

Review of Senior Center electrical system is a priority item. Steve Pechonis will contact town employee responsible for electrical reviews.

Longwood Room back exit egress was examined. There is probably a need for a railing. Also, other railings at building entrances are old and full of splinters. Jacqui will write DPW for repair items and will contact building inspector for Longwood Room exit review.

Transportation services for seniors in remote areas not accessible by "B Bus" may be improved. Use of obsolete police vehicles for this need may be possible.

A program to promote interest in volunteer activities is another possible goal.

There are different organizations, which provide social services to seniors. Coordination of the work of these groups may have some benefits.

General distribution in June/September of the Newsletter was offered as a goal to communicate better with the general public.

Following items were presented by the Director:

Jacqui is assessing what has been done with the goal being to improve quality.

First weekly coffee will be in late November. This will be an opportunity for attendees to offer ideas regarding senior needs and programs.

A full breakfast will be offered monthly on the last Wednesday of the month.

Opportunities for entertainment after lunch at Iris' Café are being analyzed.

Basement cleaning has been completed.

Jacqui attended the Massachusetts COA meeting of Directors in Wexford. Next year the conference is in Falmouth which offers an opportunity for staff and COA Board to attend. This meeting included some strategic planning regarding coordination of COA and HMO functions to improve services to seniors.

The engineering report for the new COA building has been submitted. There are 9.48 acres with good water. The area is narrow and long which does not provide a sufficient zone of contribution. Possibly land could be borrowed from the National Seashore to provide for the zone of contribution. Under current conditions the building maximum for seats is 93.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Next meeting November 27, 2000 – 10:00 a.m.


Calvin J. Anderson
Secretary