

West Boylston Council on Aging Board Meeting
Minutes July 9 2009

Call to Order: 6:00 PM Joanne Vaudreuil, Chair

Secretary's Report: Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept meeting minutes of June 4th Board meeting as written.

Director's Report: Managing For Results numbers for the month of June as follows;

Volunteer Hours: 364.50

Instructional Class participants: 121

Meals served (includes Meals on Wheels and Congregate): 617

Transportation: (Number of Rides) 465

Family Assistance: 12

Health Screenings: 11

SHINE: 0

Social Events Participants: 128

Seniors Served: 250

Units of Service: 1256

Marcia discussed selling of Ford Escort Wagon in town auction; Letter was written to Select Board requesting proceeds of the sale be returned to the Gift Account rather than go into the General Fund. No word has been received yet. We are able to put a minimum bid on the vehicle. Janice Ash suggested looking at the Kelly Blue Book for that information. Marcia will do this and put a minimum price on the vehicle. This was made as motion, seconded, and passed.

Marcia reviewed upcoming programming including; Diabetic Support Group, Friend's Luncheon, Balance Program, Planning Meeting, Breathing Better Program, Foxwoods Trip, and Meeting of planning future programs.

Marcia discussed program planning, and her need for assistance with this task. She has not had anyone come forward to help with planning, but will keep trying to get assistance.

Marcia reported, Jane will be completing her year with the mature Workers' Program on August 28th. She has been in contact with Catholic charities in regard to replacing Jane. She has some one coming in for an interview, who has worked at the Clinton COA in the past.

Old Business: Bruce Peterson, Liaison for the Senior Center from the Municipal Building Comm. Was present for a discussion on 150 Hartwell St, proposal as a town Hall, Senior Center and DPW building. Marcia stated many seniors had expressed concern to her, that there would not be adequate space given to the Senior Center. Since there has been a 47.5% increase in the senior population in West Boylston since 2000, and there are over 1000 Baby Boomers between 50 and 59 in West Boylston, the Senior Center needs to be given space to accommodate these seniors. Marcia stated she would prefer a larger room with a kitchen off one end that can be divided; therefore used for large programs, but also

used on a regular basis for smaller programs. Selectman Chris Rucho was present and agreed. He stated that we need to sell this as a Community Center that can accommodate different groups in Town, but have areas be able to be locked off, to secure senior center property. The Board was in agreement to ask the Board of Selectmen for a minimum of 8000 sq. feet of space for the Senior Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM