

Minutes from the Council On Aging  
Board Meeting  
November 20, 2017

Members Present: Jean Sheedy, Gail Chalmers, Norma Garvin, Ellen Baxendale, Ed Wenzell, Peter Cunningham, Richard Marton, Marlana Gilbert, Helen Sienkiewicz

Staff Present: Kathy Shelp, Kathy Santiago

Open Meeting: Gail Chalmers called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes from the October 16 meeting were presented by Helen Sienkiewicz. They were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Gail Chalmers, 2nd by Peter Cunningham. All unanimous approval accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Shelp presented the October/November Financial Report.

Marlana Gilbert: Marlana stated that she was contacted by the Indian Hill folks asking if the school community would get involved when the new facility is up and running. She also does not foresee any budget changes coming along in the near future.

Activities/Volunteer Report: Kathy Santiago reported that Gibbet Hill dinner went well. The movie in November was good. Veteran's Day ceremony at the high school was lovely. Veteran's breakfast with Nashoba Tech this month. Christmas tea coming up in December.

Cable-TV Lunch and Learn is full, with a waiting list. New Year's celebration in December.

Director's Report: Kathy Shelp stated that we need a van driver. Matter of Balance program will be held in January and February. Kathy is hoping for the Pickle Ball program to catch on. The Building Committee has voted to move ahead with the architects plans. Kathy showed us the preliminary plans for the new COA. Ed questioned the entrance out to Rt. 225. Richard asked how long the building will take and where will we reside in the meantime. It could take as long as a year. Kathy showed us the most recent floor plan. It looks lovely. Kathy asked for any suggestions we may have. Ed asked about a canopy at the entrance. Martena mentioned the possibility of any green initiatives to save some cash or tax breaks. Richard asked about the vans being under cover. Trunk or Treat was cancelled due to weather.

Martena mentioned the opportunity for us to help out at the community dinners.

Monday, January 8, there will be a visit and lunch for us at the high school.

Perhaps a senior citizen and high school art show in the Spring.

Next meeting will be held on December 18  
at 1:00 p.m.

Motion to accept Director's and Staff  
Reports was made by Peter Cunningham,  
2nd by Norma Garvin. All unanimous  
approval accepted.

Motion to close the meeting was made  
by Peter Cunningham, 2nd by Ellen  
Baxendale. All unanimous approval accepted.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Helen Sienkiewicz  
Secretary  
Groton Council On Aging  
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