

Council on Aging
Board of Directors
Minutes of meeting –September 7, 2017

Time and Place: 10:00 am
 Room 208
 Multi-Service Center

In Attendance: Corinne Baker
 Sharon Frank
 Celeste Hankey
 Judith Peterson
 Nancy Sawyer

Absent: Rosalie Bulu
 Peter Dunlop
 Ann McGinn
 Melissa Plourd

Guests: Barbara Leslie
 Missy Dziczek – Director – Council on Aging
 Muriel Slaney – Editor - The Senior Beacon
 Alan Slavin – Selectman
 Tom Monahan
 Ken Buckland

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 by Clerk – Celeste
2. The agenda for the meeting was distributed.
3. The minutes for the August 10, 2017 meeting were distributed.
4. A motion was made to approve the minutes– 1st – Sharon Frank, 2nd – Judy Peterson, Approved.
5. Announcements – Sharon reminded the board of two luncheons – we need to have the board come and support the lunches. Sharon signs up for the Council on Aging board members to attend
6. Citizen Participation – Muriel Slaney – Riverside Restaurant is now a Gold member of the Advocates Beacon Sponsor. Virginia Riley gives a check each month. Muriel will list sponsors in an upcoming Beacon.
Muriel shared a petition that was drawn up to “see if the town will vote to raise and appropriated the sum of \$66,000. To fund the position of the Director of Council on

Aging, or at any other action relative there to". There was a lengthy discussion between council members with Alan Slavin indicating that should we go forward with the petition the money (having not been set aside) would have to be taken from another source – the library was thrown out there! We need to submit where the town should take the money from. There was a discussion regarding the author of the petition – and a veiled threat should she go forward. The author will withdraw the petition and we will try again next year.

Ken Buckland – the Director of Planning and Development explained that the town has hired him to update the Master Plan. The town has also hired a "Benefits Coordinator". There will be a workshop on September 14th to go over goals and plans for each department. Ken took notes regarding some of the concerns of the council.

7. Old Business

- a. New signs for the Council on Aging have arrived – We will need more and Missy will look into having the signs posted.
- b. We are losing space for some of our programs – the room that had been used for the quiet exercise class – tables and desks have been moved into the room. Missy will look into another available space.
- c. Human Resources needs to start advertising for an outreach person.
- d. Missy is stretching out her hours so she can continue working – down to 5-10 hours a week. Funds will run out at the end of June.
- e. Tom Monahan will be performing at the September 13th luncheon.

8. New Business

- a. Foxwoods trip is October 20th.
- b. Missy is checking into the promise of having the multi-use room painted.
- c. Town Meeting is October 23rd at 7:00.
- d. Missy is going to talk to Derek, then the Fin Com regarding how to get funding for the Director position.

9. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

10. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting – 1st – Sharon Frank, 2nd Judy Peterson; Approved.

Prepared by Celeste Hankey, Clerk.