

## NEWBURYPORT COUNCIL ON AGING

December 20, 2012

The Board of Directors of the Newburyport Council on Aging met on this date at the Salvation Army building.

Chairperson Frances Munroe called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Carroll	Richard Eaton
Miller Graf	Jo An Kincaid
Frances Munroe	Frances Reslewic
Jack Ronan	Martha True

Roseann Robillard, Director

### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jane Kelly  
Cynthia Muir  
Helena Thurlow

Chairperson Frances Munroe welcomed a new member, Jo An Kincaid, to the Council on Aging Board.

The Secretary's minutes of November 15, 2012, were presented for approval.

There being no discussion, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: to accept the Secretary's minutes of the meeting of November 15, 2012, as presented.

### SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER:

Jack Ronan encouraged all members of the Board to attend the Planning Team meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. There will be no meeting in January. Jack reported that the last meeting was well attended. Geordie Vining spoke about the fact that because the Senior/Community Center building is two years away the cost could be 2% more than planned. Richie Eaton believes that the increase had been factored in. Director Roseann Robillard reported that there is a 5% construction contingency.

Jack Ronan reported on a discussion regarding his concerns that the boiler and hot water tank shown in the plans are to be on the third floor of the building and the reasons why this is not a good idea. The planning department agreed. Other location possibilities to present to the architects were discussed, as well as extra costs involved. Space for outside activities was also discussed. Director Robillard spoke about her discussion with Mayor Holaday in regard to having the boiler in another location .

Other finances were discussed. Director Robillard reported that we expect to receive approximately \$50,000 from the State, also, the Mayor will be meeting with the Friends of the Council on Aging to discuss fundraising. Fund raisers who will be working on the Senior/Community Center project are Patti Fernandez and Ann Proli of Elder Services. All finances will go through Tony Prumer, the OPM for schools and senior centers.

A glossy booklet in color is being produced by Charles Griffin containing the Architects' Vision. This booklet will be a valuable visual aid to present to prospective donors to the new Senior/Community Center. It will show the scope of the whole building. The décor will reflect the Coast Guard City of Newburyport. A complete presentation of building plans and finances should be ready by February 2013.

#### FRIENDS OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING:

Director Roseann Robillard reported that the Friends of the Council on Aging have sent a check to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$3,000 to be used for the COA transportation program. This amount represents the proceeds of the Silent Auction.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Plaque to honor Tom Lyons was discussed.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Charles Carroll reported on the meeting of the Housing Task Force which is focused on building for low income rental property in the City of Newburyport. Discussion

Chairperson Frances Munroe reported that all COA Board members read and signed the Conflict of Interest Law.

There being no further business it was moved, seconded and  
VOTED: TO ADJOURN at 10:05 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on January 17, 2013, at 9:30 a.m.

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Frances Reslewic, Secretary