

NEWBURYPORT COUNCIL ON AGING

January 21, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Newburyport Council on Aging met on this date at The Newburyport Senior/Community Center, 331 High Street, Newburyport, MA 01950

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charles Carroll	Richard Eaton
Jo An Kincaid	Yvonne McQuilkin
Cynthia Muir	Frances Munroe
Frances Reslewic	Jack Ronan
Roseann Robillard,	Council on Aging Director
Mary Kelly	Activities Director

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Miller Graf	Jane Kelley
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The Secretary's minutes of the meeting of December 17, 2015, were presented for approval. It was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: to accept the Secretary's minutes of the meeting of December 17, 2015, with one correction-a typographical error on page 2 – "discussion"

ACTIVITIES REPORT:

Mary Kelly reported on activities and programs. All activities are going well. Attendance is growing and finances are solvent. Discussion was held regarding Bingo.

Mary spoke about the success of the Obituary class which will be continuing on for a few more weeks, Zoomba has a class of 20, and some of the new upcoming programs that will be starting in February: Poetry, Bridge, Nutrition with Ann Marie O'Bara, a Valentine Day Program, etc.

Mary is very excited about the great interest and enthusiasm of the participants "everyone is smiling."

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DIRECTOR Roseann Robillard distributed copies of the Council on Aging Annual Report FY2015 and the FY2016 Mid Year Expenditure Summary of the City of Newburyport. A discussion was held.

Director Robillard announced that the Mayor's State of the City Address will be on February 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

Roseann reported that she has purchased two defibrillators. The Friends of the Council on Aging will pay for them through a donation. One will be placed outside of the Board Room and one will be placed outside of the Wellness Room. Pam Columbo recommended the model number and will demonstrate how to use them.

Director Robillard spoke about the new President's (Gordon Andrews) of the Golden Agers (a Newburyport Social Organization) request to the Newburyport City Council to allow them to

have their meetings at the New Senior/Community Center. They meet on the first and third Wednesday of the Month. Roseann will offer exclusive space, Room A, for the meeting of their members from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and they will be welcome to stay for the 1:00 p.m. Community Day Program.

OLD BUSINESS:

1400 square feet of space is still available for rent. The Mayor has suggested a tenant for this space. Also another party is interested.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Annual Report of the Council of Aging Board was submitted by Chairperson Frances Munroe on January 21, 2016

A request was received from Jane Kelley regarding the time frame for Mahjong which has been changed from the original time. Discussion

It was moved, seconded and

VOTED: The purpose of the COA Board of Directors is not to dictate to the COA staff how programs will be scheduled.

Miller Graf, COA Board member has been out sick with a back problem. He will be consulting with doctors at the New England Baptist Hospital in Boston.

There being no further business it was moved, seconded and

VOTED: to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.



Frances Reslewic, Secretary

The next meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2016, at the Senior/Community Center.