# NEWBURYPORT COUNCIL ON AGING May 18, 2015

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 Jane Kelley

Jo An Kincaid Yvonne McQuilkin Cynthia Muir Frances Munroe Frances Reslewic Jack Ronan

Martha True

Roseann Robillard, Council on Aging Director Mary Kelly, Activities Director

#### MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

Guest Ana Whetmore

The Secretary's minutes of the meeting of April 27, 2015, were presented for approval. There being no discussion, it was moved, seconded, and

VOTED: to accept the Secretary's minutes of the meeting of April 27, 2015, as corrected.

### SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER:

Richie Eaton, Chairperson of the fundraising committee, reported that \$187,000 has been received towards the goal of \$280,000 which has already been committed and has actually surpassed the initial goal of \$280,000.

Requests for donations to help with the shortfall for furnishings will soon go out to the general public.

### FRIENDS OF NEWBURYPORT C O A:

Miller Graf and Jane Kelley reported on the progress of Olga MacFarlane, Chairperson of the Friends of the Council on Aging, who is convalescing and doing well.

#### **ACTIVITIES REPORT:**

Mary Kelly reported on programs going on now and programs planned for the new Senior/Community Center: yoga aerobics, fall prevention and balance with Tai Chi, mindful meditation, arthritic hand massage, second chances, knitting, etc.

Discussion was held.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

Cynthia Muir cast one ballot to elect the following slate of officers placed in nomination for FY 2016 on April 27, 2015.

Frances Munroe, Chairperson Charles Carroll, Vice Chairperson Frances Reslewic, Secretary

Seconded and so voted.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Director Roseann Robillard spoke about the new Meals on Wheels program which involves over 100 people. This program will be moved from the Central Congregational Church to the new Senior/Community Center. Elder Services will be administering the new program. Director Robillard is on the nutrition committee and this committee will evaluate four caterers. One will be chosen to engage in a three year contract.

Director Robillard reported that the Salvation Army officers are leaving Newburyport and going to be stationed in Lynn, MA. They have done a lot for our community and they will be missed. A new Cadet will be assigned to the Salvation Army in Newburyport.

Jack Ronan asked about facility maintenance. Roseann stated that a new person dedicated to our building will be hired by the Newburyport Department of Public Works.

There being no further business it was moved, seconded and VOTED: to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

The next meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, June 15, 2015.

Frances Reslewic, Secretary