

MEDWAY COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING AUGUST 10, 2016

Mary Lou opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. Those in attendance included: Mary Lou Staples, Chairperson, Judy Lane Secretary, Nanette Glenney, Grace Rossetti, Mary Anderson, Charlene Saunders, Frank Saunders, and Paul DeSimone. Courtney Riley, our new Director got to meet most of her COA. Vonnie Clark and Siri Krishna Khalsa had excused absences.

Our initial event was a meet and greet. Courtney is a full time director. Her hours will be 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Fridays. Marcia, one of our Outreach workers will be working from 9:00 a.m.–1:00p.m. on her workdays once we start the Fall schedule. Courtney would like to create an office in part of the "Games' Room". She would like the office to be on the window side of the building. The closet that stores the games would be eliminated and the craft cabinet relocated. The office would end shortly after the first window in the room. It would allow more private space for small meetings. It would also place the Director near the entrance to the building. This office and the outreach office will be fitted with privacy shades. The craft room will have its closet extended by a few feet. Hopefully some of the supplies can be stored in the shed. Courtney will be meeting Friday with the office workers and drivers to go over confidentiality rules. There are open spots on the tax write off program. Courtney also stated the greenhouse will be stored for the winter and will be moved from its current location next Spring. Our new director is listening to all suggestions but won't make moves without consulting with the COA. She will keep Mary Lou apprised of changes or problems.

Mary Anderson was chosen to update and refresh the SUGGESTION BOX.

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The state health inspectors evaluated the kitchen the day of our 90th Birthday Party. They stated we had to remove items being stored on the floor of the kitchen closet. Courtney suggested we eliminate the current refrigerator and freezers for a walk in refrigerator and a walk in freezer. We could then add some shelves to that closet and give Ann back her storage area. Courtney also reminded us that hats, gloves and aprons must be worn whenever people are preparing food. Some members of the Council are concerned that the home cooked meals prepared at the Center have been attracting fewer people. Maybe we should create a survey to discover what those who use this service would like to see served.

A member of the Council suggested the possibility of a hairdresser and /or manicurist being available at the Center.

Judy made a motion at 3:15 that the meeting be closed. Frank seconded the motion, which passed. Mary Lou adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith F. Lane, Secretary