

MEDWAY COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING APRIL 10, 2018

Mary Lou opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. Those in attendance included: Mary Lou Staples, Chairperson, Vonnie Clark, Vice Chairperson, Judy Lane, Secretary, Bill Caton, Paul DeSimone, Siri Krishna Khalsa, Ron Lane and Charlene Tingley. Nanette Glennly had an excused absence. Mary Anderson and Grace Rossetti were absent. Staff members present were Courtney, Director and Kathryn Bullock, Craft and Day Trips Director.

Our first order of business was to change the bylaws to achieve a less confusing article about COA members' attendance at meetings. In the event of absence of any member for three consecutive meeting, except for reasons of health or extenuating circumstances as duly reported to the Chair in advance of Council meetings,, the Council may request the resignation of that member through the Board of Selectmen will be changed to read: IN THE EVENT OF ABSENCE OF ANY MEMBER FROM 3 MEETINGS,EXCEPT FOR REASONS OF HEALTH OR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES AS DULY REPORTED TO THE CHAIR IN ADVANCE OF COUNCIL MEETINGS DURING ANY FISCAL YEAR, THE COUNCIL MAY REQUEST THE RESIGNATION OF THAT MEMBER THROUGH THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.

The Secretary's report was accepted. Vonnie made the motion and Bill seconded it.

Courtney gave the Treasurer's report. We began the month with \$46,000+, the State grant contains -\$12,300+ and the C.O.A. donation account is \$8,000+. Charlene made a motion to accept the report; Vonnie seconded it. The motion passed.

Director's Report: During the storms February and March when the town lost power, the Senior Center was used as a warming center and charging center for those in Senior Housing who lost power and were able to be contacted. We now have a better phone tree to contact those who lose power, but are still working to fine tune it. Our new stove should be available soon. The Senior Center has created its own facebook page which is up and running. The C.O.A. should and will be running the Annual Ninetieth Birthday Party. We will begin by writing out invitations at our next meeting. The party will be held on Monday June 11, 2018. We will also do another event later in the year. We also spoke about honoring a special senior who has given so much to the Center. We would like to have a general open house on a Saturday in the Fall to introduce the Center to the public. The Center will host a Health Fair in May. The Senior Center staff has been working with local Cable 8 people toward creating a video about the Center. The soft opening of The Oakland Cafe has begun. Siri Krishna requested a clarification of the offerings at the Cafe and times of operation. The Cafe is open from 10:00 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday. Thursday is PIZZA day. There are always soup and vegetarian selections. The construction at Oakland Park had begun. Vonnie made a motion to accept Courtney's report which Charlene seconded. The motion passed.

Kathy gave her Craft and Day Trips report. Her craft project for the Winter was a" challenging pillow decorated with a cardinal". Many are still working on this project. They continued to make favors for the Meals on Wheels throughout the Winter. Spring trips including: the Boston

Flower Show, the Irish Show at the Venus de Milo and the rest of the trips are all sold out. The new Summer and early Fall trips brochure will be available in May. Courtney got very good feedback from the Meals on Wheels people about the favors.

Housing representative Paul DeSimone announced all is well at Mahan Circle which has many new residents.

Judy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 which Ron seconded. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judith L. Lane". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Judith L. Lane, Secretary