

Council on Aging Minutes

August 16, 2022

Meeting called to order at: 1:04PM

Attendance: Deb Lanou, Jim Whitcomb, Frank Froment, Tony Stavely, Judie Tate, Betty Whitcomb, Colleen Letourneau, Meg Livingston

Minutes: Frank made a motion to accept the minutes. Betty seconded the motion, approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Tony made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Jim seconded the motion, approved unanimously.

Chair's Report:

Review of the By-Laws

Betty made the motion to approve Article IV - Membership with the corrected updates. Jim seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Betty made the motion to approve Article V – Voting Rights of members and Article VI Meetings of the Members with the corrected updates. Meg seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Meg made the motion to approve Article VII - Officer with the corrected updates. Betty seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Betty made the motion to approve Article VIII - Amendments with the corrected updates. Judi seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Judi made the motion to approve Article IX - Staff with the corrected updates. Jim seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Betty made the motion to approve Article X – Committees with the corrected updates that the committees would follow the guidance in the policy and procedures. Meg seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Betty made the motion to approve Article XI – Liaisons with the corrected updates that the liaisons would follow the guidance in the policy and procedures. Judi seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Article XII – Effective date will be added once the By-Laws are approved at the next town meeting.

Judi made the motion to approve the By-Laws with the corrected updates and Betty seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Community Preservation Committee: CPC update from Deb Lanou - reported that the last meeting was canceled. They plan to meet in August.

Deb also stated we need to keep looking for board members.

Director's Report (Colleen Letourneau):

- Colleen is compiling information for an ADA grant proposal that will add Hearing Loops to the Senior Center, Library and Selectboard room. She is working the library and Andrea. She also had a visit on August 17th from Shanahan Hearing Link INC from Lowell for a site visit to get a quote. She should have the quote back within 10 days with will allow her to meet the September 30th grant proposal deadline.
- The summer Concert series was successful
- RMV will come soon to discuss Real ID
- Greenfield Savings Bank is Coming in October to discuss various issues for seniors
- Meg will be writing the next Newsletter article followed by the "Friends" members
- Colleen is discussing with First Light and the Northfield Recreation Department, opportunities and ideas that can benefit the seniors
- Little Feet will start back up in September

Legislative update: Rx prices can now be negotiated

Neighbors at Home: Tony stated they would like to have a member on the COA

Friends Update: Deb emailed the minutes and we reviewed them, Main thing was that the 2 concerts were successful.

Motion to adjourn by Frank, seconded by Judi approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:43pm.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Frank Froment', is written over the typed name.

Frank Froment (acting secretary)