

COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING: Minutes

August 10, 2010

In attendance: Pat Clark , Rita Vail, John Shay, Ray Crowley, Kathy Foster, Al Ouimet, Becky Moriarty

Absent: Virginia Schneider (e), Brian MacLeod (e), Deanna Vermette (e) Karen Leger (e)

Guest: Bill Olmstead

Rita Vail called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM.

Secretary's report of June 8, 2010 was accepted as written.

Treasurer's report was accepted.

Director's report was accepted as presented. (Ray commented that the financial program on Monday, August 9th was very good and well attended. The health fair that has been postponed until spring will possibly include Parks & Rec having activities in the parking area, this being an attempt at town involvement.)

New Business:

A Budget/Finance Committee will include Rita, Ray, Becky and Bill Olmstead. A first meeting will be called before the September COA meeting.

Regarding the Senior Center as a "Cooling Site", we will put into the June SCRIBE that if there are three days of 90 degree weather, the Selectmen have designated that the Center will be open until 7 PM. People of all ages are welcome and can call the Center if rides are needed or for general questions.

COA goals for FY2011

5 more hours budgeted for the Senior Center

Aim to have activities one evening/month

Increase activities or programs available at the Center.

Director's annual review: we did not complete last year's review due to Becky's leave of absence. Therefore, Pat returned each board member's sheet to be added to and given back to Pat by the next COA meeting.

Rita asked for a copy of the spread sheet keeping track of the Director's vacation time, personal time, etc. so we will know our liability regarding time off.

Having completed the COA agenda, Bill Olmstead was asked if he had comments. He stated that the COA board serves at the pleasure of the people of Hampden. He asked who prepares the agenda for the meetings. He asked about the volunteer coordinator. Becky said that she and Susan are meeting this week and because the job description is for a full time job, they will determine how much Sue will be able to perform. Bill is happy to see the board action on a Finance Committee. He asked for details of the last 12 months. Rita asked Becky to get for Bill a copy of the town accountant's ledger for FY2010. Bill has concern for the COA structure and believes that each member should have a detailed job within the board.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25AM. Respectfully submitted, Rita Vail, Secretary