



FREETOWN COUNCIL ON AGING

Multi-Purpose Senior Center

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COA Board Meeting March 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Jeannette Tisdelle at 10:37 AM

Present: Jeannette Tisdelle, Ed Medeiros, Charles Gray, Marion Rylands, Ruth Ferland and Director Barbara Lafleur.

Absent: Robert Martel, Bruce Wilbur

Secretary's Report: waived

Treasurer's Report: waived

Suggestions:

Scott Barbato, Building Inspector came to the meeting to discuss outside entrances in back of building. He has not gotten the results he would like so proposing a new format for satisfying the need. He proposes to rebuild decks similar to town hall. A lot less money and should be done sooner. With much discussion the COA board has agreed to the new proposal. An awning was also discussed. Ed Medeiros suggested deleting original plan board accepted.

He also suggested accepting new proposal of a new ramp. The back door ramp would be larger than what we have and update the main entrance as planned. A wind breaker was also discussed for main entrance. The board accepted.

Also discussed with Scott, were the windows and doors. It has been put in the budget request. Also electrical should be looked at and the crack in the ceiling in the computer room.

He discussed the storage unit we are looking into purchasing. He highly recommended that storage unit, the police have already purchased.

Old Business

Policy & Procedures-Tabled

Amended of Signage for COA- Tabled

Laminate Machine-Ruth Ferland would like to purchase this for use at the center and for patrons to also have their paperwork done. Social security and Medicare cards if they would like it done. Personal use for patrons a donation would be required. Prices will be checked and brought back before the board.

Feasibility Study- tabled at this time.

New Business

Approve minutes for October, November December 2015 motion by Ed Medeiros seconded by Marion Rylands to accept.

Budget FY 2017- Discussion on the budget submitted was level funded. Changes to personnel services due to union. Grant was also discussed.

Newspapers- Motion made and seconded not to purchase papers.

Pre-pay for meals and meat bingo. It has been going very well. Staff has not had to pay out of their pocket for this. Board agrees to prepay first.

Apponequet HS Health Fair- With much discussion Ruth Ferland has agreed to go represent the COA at the health fair.

Dish washer- tabled

Carpeting-tabled

Rock Funeral Home- Advanced Funeral planning seminar motion made and seconded to accept.

Meeting adjourned, next meeting scheduled Monday April 4th at 10:30 am.

Respectively submitted,

Barbara Lafleur
Director

