

FREETOWN COUNCIL ON AGING

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COA Board Meeting October 07, 2013

The Meeting was called to order by Charles Gray at 10:35 AM

Present: Charles Gray, Edward Medeiros, Jeannette Tisdelle,
Mary Baumgartner, Marion Rylands, Robert Martel and Director Barbara

Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the September 16, 2013 board meeting, motion passed.

Old Business:

Director has stated that the podiatrist building use fee has been raised to \$30.00 per day. Board was OK with that and any further discussion is tabled.

Kitchen repair: A paint color was chosen for the painting of the kitchen. Discussed the repair of the floor along the bottom cabinets and replacing the kitchen ceiling tiles. Work to begin ASAP.

Newsletter Ads: Freetown VFW as asked if a doubled sided flyer can be placed in the Senior newsletter. VFW will provide the paper. A motion was made and seconded to allow the insert at no cost to the VFW, with the VFW providing the paper. Discussion followed. Because the Senior Center uses the VFW for many events at no cost, i.e. line dancing, etc. it was felt we could show the same courtesy to the VFW. Motion approved.

Bylaws for COA Board: Tabled for further review by the board members.

Petty Cash: Awaiting the approval of the selectmen board meeting minutes.

Construction of New Closet: Awaiting contractor to provide start date.

Office Renovations: Director Office, Senior clerk and computer room will return to prior positions with some improvements. Privacy for the Director was a concern.

New Business:

Board Member: Discussed an open ended policy for posting a vacancy on the COA board.

Members of the Freetown COA board will attend a training conference at the Westport COA on Friday November 1st at 1PM.

Building Regulations: Director reported on a visit from the Building Inspector. Annual inspections are required for the stove hood in the kitchen and the stair chair. Inspections will be scheduled. Smoke

detectors need to be replaced in the COA building. Director will consult with the Fire Department. Table needed to be removed by the stairs due to building regulations.

Programs:

A discussion began to start a program to get smoke detectors for senior homes. Director will look into getting them donated or at a discounted rate and will report at the next meeting.

Suggestions:

Porch repair at the rear door entrance and the ramp.

A program for seniors needing help and/or Community service for seniors.

There being no further business a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed.

Next meeting Monday, November 4, 2013 @ 10:30 AM

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Baumgartner COA Board Secretary