FREETOWN COUNCIL ON AGING



Multi-Purpose Senior FREE TOWN TOWN CLERK

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Center

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February 8, 2023

Call to order: 1:05 pm

Roll Call: Bruce Wilbur, Robin Kendrick, Evelyn Alves, Ruth Ferland, Victoria Brownell,

Marion Rylands, Brenda Motta, and Barbara Place.

Absent:

Secretaries Report: December 14, 2022 Bruce made the motion to accept Evelyn seconded, all in favor motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Bruce asked Barbara to explain. We need to talk about the kitchen to subsidize it. Have a volunteer cook or hire someone. We need to implement it to what we want to do. We should have a separate budget line for cooks and kitchen staff. Call around to see what other COA's are doing. Brenda will be looking at other COA's, Evelyn said the participation would depend on space. Robin said people would have to sign up and show up, outside we could open it to different Towns.

Robin talked to the Board of Health to do an inspection for Serve Safe. Stove is not working, Fire Dept will come to talk to us about it. Neal Lafleur came to talk about the stove, you are not smelling gas, there is no air exchange. Place a timer on a fan to help with the odor. We have a commercial stove and not a commercial size kitchen. Neal said put a timer to have the fan come on and off intermittently to help illuminate the odor. He did tell Barbara to crack open a window downstairs every day, now it is too cold for air flow. Bruce said we need a resolution for this.

Formula Grant Expenditure Plan, Town Administrator wants a break down of the grant. The part time clerks hours could come from the grant. Brenda has a person that will do the chair yoga, chair aerobics, her availability is Tuesdays at 10 AM. She needs to get insurance first. Exercises will be paid through the Formula grant.

Handicap van we would like to trade in for a newer version and smaller. This one we were given does not fit under the overhangs at doctors' offices. We must take them out of the van in rain and snow. It also does not fit in a regular parking spot. Bruce suggested doing an article for a new handicap van, Ruth seconded, all in favor.

Bruce, Robin and Evelyn have looked into a new van policy. On April 24, 2023 the senior center will be going to the Historical Society for an outing. Barbara and Robin will pick up a luncheon for the Seniors. Evelyn made the motion to approve, seconded by Brenda all in favor motion passed.

Bruce made a motion to close the meeting seconded by Brenda, all in favor motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Place, Director