**COUNCIL OF ELDER AFFAIRS MEETING**

Date: Wednesday, January 4, 2017

Time Convened: 9:37 a.m.

 Venue: Historical Room, Hanson Public Library

Those in Attendance: Jane Baker, Mary Collins, Susan Gagnon, Stephanie McSweeney, Linda Philbrook, Elizabeth Stevens and Mike Saya.

 ● Meeting called to order at 9:37 a.m. by Chairperson, Jane Baker

Mary introduced guests Gladys Hammond and David King.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Board member Mary Lou Sutter.

● December meeting notes were read and accepted.

● Report of Director and Discussion’

○ Mary reported on January activities:

○ Building Update: ■ Mary has had conversations with the Town Administrator. The siding project is still moving along...

○ Fuel Assistance: Mary reports that there has been a large amount of re-applications filed, but shared concerns about elders’ willingness to accept this sort of assistance.

■ Mary reported that $2500 was raised in the Salvation Army Kettle Drive this year.

● Report of Council Chair:

○ Jane had nothing to report..

● Report of Council Representatives:

○ Norwell VNA-Continue their monthly blood pressure clinics at the SC and MHL.

○ Friend’s Group-Linda reports that they are going strong with plans for a large group fundraiser. Their next meeting is January 17th.

● Unfinished Business

○ Donations for the “Tree of Life” plaques in honor of Mary Lou Sutter and Elizabeth McGuirk were received.

● New Business-Mary presented the new format of the Hansonian to the board.

Meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Gagnon Secretary