COUNCIL OF ELDER AFFAIRS MEETING

Date: February 7, 2018

Time Convened: 9:35 a.m.

Venue: Historical Room/ Hanson Public Library

Those in attendance: Michael Saya, Elizabeth Stevens, George Copeland, Susan Gagnon, David King and Mary Collins. Excused Absence: Stephanie McSweeney and Linda Philbrook.

● Meeting called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Secretary Susan Gagnon in the absence of both the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

Mary will take minutes.

January meeting minutes were read and accepted as written.

Report of Director and discussion:

○ Mary reported on January events:

■ Yoga began this month and has already built a following. It has been expanded to two mornings a week, being held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:45 am.

■ The afternoon of karaoke with Rick Ferrara was enjoyed by all in attendance. A very popular event.

○ Mary reported on the events coming up in February:

* ■ The Men’s Club Breakfast will take place on Feb. 8th @ 9:00 am.
* ■ Rick Ferrara returns at 1:00 pm on Feb. 8th for his karaoke program.
* ■ The Swingin’ Singers will perform their Valentine’s Day program on Feb. 12th at 11am.
* ■ The Caregiver’s Support Group will take place on Feb. 12th at 1:00 pm.
* Coffee and Conversation will take place with guest Mike McCue introducing our new Veteran’s Agent on Feb. 14th at 10:00 am.
* Ladies breakfast and an informational seminar featuring Robin Putman from the Office of Consumer Affairs speaking about on-line safety will take place on Feb. 22nd at 10:00 am.

Building update:

■ The building siding will be replaced in the spring.

* A new copier has been leased through Konica Minolta with contract beginning in March.
* Mary is compiling information with the intent to submit an article for new flooring for the town meeting warrant in May.

Staffing update:

■ Interviews will take place shortly for the part time position in the office.

Van Update:

* New van will be coming from MassDOT grant hopefully by the end of August. Current van is ten years old and we are looking forward to this new arrival.

Dementia Friendly MA:

* Mary will be attending a meeting in Lakeville this month to learn more.

The Chairwoman had nothing to report.

Report of Council Representatives:

○ Norwell VNA and Hospice are on target.

○ OCES- Mary attended January meeting.

○ OCPC – No report.

○ Salvation Army – No report.

○ The Friend’s Group: have agreed to pay for monthly karaoke programs for the seniors.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

* Conflict of Interest, Ethics and Sexual Harassment packets are located in each council member’s folder to be completed by the date specified.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Mary Collins,

Director of Elder Affairs