

FRIENDS OF FOXBORO SENIORS
MONTHLY MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

The meeting began at 10:15 am, following the Annual Board Meeting, called to order by President Paul Dumas. Members of the Board present were: Nina DeWolf, Paul Dumas, Ray Mosher, Linda McCoy, Pat Murphy, Connie McLoughlin, Helen Rice and newly elected member, Vera Maccone.

Jeanne Bonneau announced a trip to the POPS would be held on the 12th of December, leaving St. Mary's Parking Lot at approximately 2:00 pm. The total cost is \$85.00 with a \$50.00 deposit and the remaining \$35.00 paid by November 5, 2014.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary reviewed the minutes of June 21, 2014, and requested a motion to accept the minutes as presented. A motion was made by Connie McLaughlin, seconded by Marsha Perry, to accept the minutes of June 21, 2014. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Connie McLaughlin, Treasurer reported most donations over the Summer were from renewal applications and donations, including from Bee Barr's mamma of \$1,105. Connie reported the total income as \$29,448 and expenses were \$5,283.59.

Connie also noted there were two names on the CD accounts, the past Treasurer, Charlie Clifford and Board Secretary, Helen Rice. The Treasurer suggested adding the President and Current Treasurer to the CD accounts also.

A motion by Nina DeWolf, seconded by Ray Mosher, was made to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Paul Dumas reported that Hessco Elder Services has an Advisory Board and Town Representatives and currently Hessco is looking for new members to their Advisory Board.

He also noted neither the Treasurer and/or the President has the authority to spend monies without the Board's approval. Over the past Summer requests for \$150.00 to purchase an electric keyboard for Carl Annon Court and reimbursement for \$100 to Joyce Collins of the YMCA exercise program were made. Approval of the Board for these expenditures was obtained by telephone and/or e-mail.

Paul commented on the TaiChi Program, supported by the Friends, and encouraged attendance for enhanced balance and stability.

Paul listed Committee Members: Pat Murphy, Social Committee; Nina DeWolf on Applications; Linda McCoy, and Marsha Perry on Scholarship Committee, and Joanne Pratt on the Apple Pie Committee. Paul called for a Constitution Committee and asked for volunteers.

Paul introduced COA Director, Vicki Lowe as guest speaker. Vicki began her presentation stating in 1966, the State Legislature proposed a model by-law for towns to adopt as a local option (M.G.L.,c. 40,s.8B). In 1972 Foxboro Town Meeting adopted this model and a Council on Aging Board was formed. In 1998 the new Foxboro Senior Center opened and in 2000 the Town of Foxboro merged the Council on Aging with Foxboro Human Services. In FY 2014 there 1,299 people served by the Senior Center for 23,184 units of service.

Vicki reviewed Human Services and how the FY'14 COA and Human Services Budget was funded by the Town of Foxboro - Salaries/Operating Budget of \$341,226, Executive Office of Elder Affairs Formula Grant of \$25,824, the Mass Councils on Aging - Aging Mastery Grant of \$5,080.68 and the Friends of Foxboro Senior donation of \$4,083.71.

Vicki stated the Foxboro COA and HS Senior Center is a town department and by law, municipal departments are prohibited from fund-raising and noted the Friends of Foxboro Seniors is the non-profit group formed to support services of the COA/Senior Center.

Vicki also noted the COA Wish List included exploration of the idea of creating an 'official vehicles only' area in the front of the building, allowing the Van-Go and the Car-

Go to drop off clients to enter through the front door. She noted she did not have cost estimates and did not want to move forward until the Senior Center had a funding source; but could come back to the Friends with cost estimates and plans.

Also on the Wish List was the removal/replacement of barriers in front of the parking spaces with a cost of roughly \$30 per space.

Following Vicki's presentation, a general discussion of the Friends contributions, donations and fund raising ensued. Paul Dumas tabled further discussion until the October Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

The Bingo Committee had no figures to present but stated they did all right.

NEW BUSINESS

I was announced the 16th Senior Service Fair would be held on October 16th and a request was made for Triad money to provide refreshments. Upon motion of Helen Rice, seconded by Marsha Perry, there was unanimous approval of \$200 to be spent on refreshments for the Fair.

A date of November 15,2014 was scheduled for the fund raising pie making and sales event. Marsha Perry moved, seconded by Ray Mosher. Motion carried.

A motion to add the President and current Treasurer signatures to the CD accounts was made by Nina DeWolf, seconded by Ray Mosher. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Friends was rescheduled to October 25, 2014, since the President will be out of town on the regularly scheduled date of October 18th. Paul noted members of the Discretionary Fund would attend the next meeting.

With no further business to report, the meeting adjourned at 11:23am upon motion by Nina DeWolf, seconded by Ray Mosher. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Rice
Secretary of Board