

NEEDHAM COUNCIL ON AGING
October 10, 2013
MINUTES

PRESENT: Colleen Schaller, Scott Brightman, Ed Cosgrove, Phyllis Fanger, Dan Goldberg, Susanne Hughes, Andrea Rae, Mary Elizabeth Weadock, Lianne Relich
NOT PRESENT: Carol deLemos, Roma Jean Brown, Eilene Kleiman
STAFF: Jamie Brenner Gutner
CONVENE: 6:00 p.m. – Stephen Palmer Senior Center

Discussion:

I. Call To Order – 6:03 p.m. – C. Schaller Co-Chair

C. Schaller, Co-Chair, called the October 10, 2013 Council on Aging Board Meeting to order.

II. Chairperson’s Report – C. deLemos& C. Schaller

C. Schaller reported that C. deLemos in the hospital, but doing well. C. Schaller stated that the Congregational Church of Needham has donated a piano to the Senior Center. C. Schaller noted that the appraised valued of this donation is \$7,000.

E. Cosgrove moved to accept the donation, a piano, from the Congregational Church of Needham, which has an appraised value of \$7,000.00. A. Rae seconded the motion.The motion carried. Unanimous vote.

C. Schaller stated that Mark Mover’s has offered to move the piano free of charge. C. Schaller stated that the Event’s Committee will host a Private Preview for the Needham Bank on October 30, 2013. C. Schaller noted that the F.O.N.E is funding this event.

S. Hughes moved to submit a request to the Board of Selectmen for a Special One Day Wine and Malt Beverage License for the Preview Event on October 30, 2013. E. Cosgrove seconded the motion. The motion carried. Unanimous vote.

III. Executive Director Report – J. Brenner Gutner
No Report

IV. Friends of the Needham Elderly (F.O.N.E), Inc. Report – J. Brenner Gutner
J. Brenner Gutner stated that the Friends have not met because of the move but have been very supportive.

V. Springwell Report – M. E. Weadock

M. E. Weadock stated that the Springwell is gearing up for a new year. Looking at upcoming nominations and forming committees.

VI. Committee Reports

Senior Center Update – C. Schaller, J. Brenner Gutner

C. Schaller and J. Brenner Gutner spoke briefly about the pending occupancy permit, which is expected on October 11, 2013 and the pending punch list items that must be completed before move in.

Action Plan Subcommittee – E. Kleiman, L. Relich

No Report

Event Committee – M. E. Weadock, L. Relich

L. Relich reported that a date has not been set for the Opening Gala Ceremony. L. Relich added that early November or early December are dates that are being considered.

L. Relich stated that the Secretary of Elder Affairs may be available depending on the date. L. Relich stated that plans are progressing nicely.

Senior Center Handbook Committee – E. Cosgrove, C. deLemos, E. Kleiman, A. Rae

E. Cosgrove stated that the Senior Center Handbook is complete and ready for the printer.

A. Rae added that the Senior Center Handbook is an amazing document, noting that the COA Board will be pleased. A general discussion ensued on some of the changes.

VII. Board Member Update

P. Fanger stated that she and her husband had a wonderful experience with a SHINE Counselor.

A. Rae shared with the COA Board some of the conversations that took place at the NBA Harvest Fair on October 5, 2013.

S. Hughes shared that she knows someone who might like to offer a Life Long Learning Program.

D. Goldberg made a motion to adjourn the October 10, 2013 COA Board Meeting.

E. Cosgrove seconded the motion. The motion carried. Unanimous Vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.