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Millbury Council on Aging Board of Directors

MILLBURY, MASS.

Date: Wednesday December 15th at 7:30am

Present: Stephen Walinsky, Richard Townsend, Stuart Mulhane, Kevin Higginbottom, Sarahbeth Persiani, Tom Weeks (Friends Transportation Coordinator), Kendra Faldetta (Acting Director), Julieanne Fitzgerald (Outreach Worker) and Sean Hendricks (Town Manager)

Vouchers:

No vouchers were signed at this meeting. There was an agreement that board members would come weekly to the senior center to sign all vouchers, moving forward 3 signatures are needed for vouchers. The day decided was Wednesdays.

Minutes:

An amendment was made to the November minutes, that the Gift account set up by the town was not only for the purchase of food for the food pantry at BJ's but to encompass all donations made.

Movement made to accept the minutes with the amendment was made by Stephen Walinsky, and seconded by Stuart Mulhane. Vote: Unanimous

Correspondence:

The application for the Formula Grant was received and is due on January 31st, 2022.

Standing Reports:

- A. Budget and Finance: The budget is due to the town, and Ms. Faldetta told board members if they wanted to review the budget they could make an appointment to sit with her before its due.
- B. Personnel: No report.
- C. Nominating: There was a motion made to have the town charter changed to have a 7 person board by Steve Walinsky. This motion was seconded by Stuart Mulhane. Motion passed unanimously. Sean Hendricks will pass the motion along to the charter review board.
- D. Legislative: Monies from the 2021-2022 Formula Grant have not yet been received. The application has come out for the 2022-2023 fiscal year is due on January 31st to the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.
- E. Senior Center Usage: Stephen Walinsky provided Kendra Faldetta and Sean Hendricks with the application to use the building. That will be the policy going forward.
- F. Building Maintenance/ Equipment: The light above the parking lot has been replaced.

Directors Report: Kendra Faldetta provided a written report which included an activity summary for Nov, Dec and Jan.

Stephen Walinsky asked about intergenerational programs, Kendra Faldetta let him know she was in communication with MHS about having students come to the COA for technology lessons

once weekly. Kendra Faldetta also informed the board she is in communication with BVT about having their cosmetology students visit the COA.

Tom Weeks asked for the money from the Friends be separated, he was assured by Sean Hendricks and Kendra Faldetta that the money is separated once it is deposited.

Chairman's Report: Stephen Walinsky stated he had nothing to report.

New Business: Stephen mentioned wanting to support the Friends, and Sean Hendricks assured the Board that the town is more than willing to cooperate but that there needs to be a separation of finances, which is what the new processes have been striving to do.

Sarahbeth proposed a new newsletter format, and was informed that Kendra Faldetta has been in contact with several local and corporate printing agencies to make the newsletter more senior citizen friendly. Continued efforts will be made to make adjustments, such as increasing font size and accessibility.

Other Business: There was no other business.

Next Board Meeting: January 29th 2022, at 7:30am.

Adjournment: 8:49am.