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Holland Council on Aging Meeting

Holland Town Hall 27 Sturbridge Road Holland, Massachusetts

Minutes of Meeting - September 12, 2017

Meeting called to order at 10:19 by Chris Haller, Chairperson.

Board members in attendance: Chris Haller, Chairperson; Sue Sanders, Treasurer; Cindi Harris,

Member; John Senseman, Member; Fran Gallo, Alternate Member.

Absent: Tina Rootes-Hunter, Vice Chairperson; Linda Racine, Secretary.

Other: Deborah Tierney, Outreach Worker; Brenda Palmer, Center Director; Allan Percy; and

Kelli Robbins.

Secretary's Report

Motion to waive the reading of the minutes by Sue Sanders.

Second by Cindi Harris.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes by John Senseman.

Second by Cindi Harris.

Motion passed. (Exhibit A)

Treasurer's Report

No report available.

Outreach Report

Last report from Deborah Tierney. Allan Percy, incoming Outreach Worker, to provide future reports.

Outreach report filed. (Exhibit B)

Center Director's Report

Brenda Palmer submitted the director's report.

Director's Report filed. (Exhibit C)

Old Business

AED – Kelli Robbins is working on this.

Senior Housing –Several COA members and two Select Board members walked the Sichol property on September 2nd. A Letter of Interest may be sent to the property owners. Next meeting is Thursday, September 14th at 7:00 pm.

Outreach Worker – The COA welcomed Allan Percy, the new Outreach Worker appointed by the Select Board. He will take over on October 1st.

Formula Grant – Completed Grant application was mailed on September 11th.

Transportation Subcommittee – A meeting was held on August 16th. Research is proceeding on the possible formation of a volunteer driving program.

Select Board Meetings – Meetings are held monthly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6:00 pm. COA members are encouraged to attend when possible.

Senior Aide Position – Brenda Palmer continues to look for someone to fill the Senior Aide position.

COA Membership – **Motion to nominate Kelli Robbins as a COA member** by Fran Gallo. **Second by** Sue Sanders.

Motion passed.

MCOA Conference – **Motion to approve up to \$475 for Brenda to attend the conference all 3 days** by Sue Sanders. Brenda will pay her own mileage.

Second by Fran Gallo.

Motion passed.

New Business

Director's Requests

Motion to approve up to \$100.00 for the Senior Health Fair by Sue Sanders.

Second by John Senseman.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve \$20.00 for Bingo Cards and \$10 to replace the TV remote by Cindi Harris. Second by Fran Gallo.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve \$25.00 for 500 business cards for the Center by Sue Sanders.

Second by Fran Gallo.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve \$75 for singer Duane Carlson to do a daytime 1 hour program by Cindi Harris.

Second by Fran Gallo.

Motion passed.

Motion to approve a monthly budget of \$200 to allow Center Director to arrange for entertainment, subject to COA review at the meeting following the event by Sue Sanders. Second by Cindi Harris.

Motion passed.

Center Director is researching several other programs:

- *Worcester Men of Song at Mechanics Hall on Saturday November 18th
- *Glen Shane Irish Folk Duo for around St. Patrick's Day
- *Special Birthday celebration for Seniors turning 90 or Older

Motion to move COA meetings back to Community Center starting with October meeting by Sue Sanders.

Second by Fran Gallo.

Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Sue Sanders.

Second by John Senseman.

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 am by Chris Haller, Chairperson.

Next COA Meeting Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 10:15 am at the Holland Community Center.

Upcoming events of interest:

Senior Housing Committee meeting on Thursday, September 14th @7:00 pm.

Select Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 19th at 6:00 pm.

Fundraiser, 5K Walk for Tri Town Domestic Violence Force, on Saturday, Sept. 30th @9:00 am.

Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd at 7:00 pm.

Drug Disposal Dropoff, in October (date TBD).