

AKA Greater Hillsborough Senior Services Committee

Present: Pat Mathison, Beverly Banister, Charles Gaides, Marie Mogavero, Art Stickney, Dana Brien, Joyce Peace, and Donna Boss.

The meeting is called to order at 10:05am

Minutes: Mrs. Mathison pointed out a typo in first paragraph..."now" should be "new." Mrs. Boss made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, Mrs. Peace seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: This month's ins are \$725.22 and expenses were \$397.17. The Balance in the GHSS account is currently \$3762.88. Mr. Gaides brought the committee's attention to the \$103.00 in residuals from North American Power received this month. Mrs. Brien moved to approve the treasurer's report, Mrs. Boss seconded. The motion passed

Mr. Gaides asked the committee to spread the word that the first contracts with North American Power are ending soon, and if people want to continue to save on their electric bills they must enter a new contract. Right now the 12 month contract price is 7.57 cents per kwh.

Aprons: Mr. Gaides showed the committee the completed aprons. The Committee discussed the cost for production and making the aprons into a fundraiser. Mr. Gaides will do the research into the cost of the aprons.

T-shirts: Mrs. Peace reported selling 4 t-shirts this month.

Flu Shot Clinic: Mrs. Mathison reported 35 received the shots. Eight folks who came needed the four-stage shot and so had to wait to see their doctor.

Senior Luncheons: Wednesday October 9th, will be Roast Pork in Deering at the Town Hall. It will include Roasted Potatoes and Glazed Carrots. The cooking will be done by Francine Marchand. Volunteers will meet at 10am.

Hillsborough Luncheon: Thursday October 24th, shepherd's pie in Hillsborough at St Mary's will include salad and biscuits. The shepherd's Pie will be prepared by the cooks at the American Legion.

Mrs. Mathison reported that on Tuesday night, October 8th, she will be meeting with the Lion's Club to help them develop their plan to assist GHSS. She is looking for ideas on needs that she can share with the Lions. Mrs. Brien suggested the use of the screening van, and perhaps getting a free booth at next year's Balloon Festival. Mr. Gaides added that they could sponsor some of the luncheons.

Mrs. Mathison decided that there will not be a meal in November since the Lions Club will be doing the Senior Thanksgiving dinner on Saturday November 16th.

There will be a meeting in November on Medicare open enrollment, and a VA “Holiday Grief” meeting also. Alzheimer's testing will be November 12th. All of these programs will take place in the lower level of St Mary’s Church.

Mrs. Brien reported that the Alzheimer's Support Group meeting on October 1st did occur, though there was no one in attendance. Mrs. Brien will put the notice on the Deering Town Crier and Post Office Bulletin Board. Mrs. Mathison will contact VNA to get the word out.

Mr. Gaides asked the committee to consider holding a Halloween event next year.

Christmas events were discussed. A silver tea was considered and possible dates were examined. December 10th at 2pm will be checked out for planning purposes.

Mrs. Mogavero discussed her work finding a suitable bus for the committee's need, and fundraising options were discussed.

The next Committee meeting will be November 8th at 10 am.

Mrs. Brien moved to close the meeting, Mrs. Boss seconded. The motion passed.

Meeting closed at 11:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Brien