

Present: Stella Arvenataki, Donna Boss, Pat Mathison, Marie Mogavero, Joyce Peace, Chuck Gaides, Art Stickney, Beverly Banister

Meeting opened at 10:05am

Mr. Gaides made a motion to approve the May minutes, Mrs. Mogavero seconded. The motion passed

Mr. Gaides made a motion to approve the June minutes, Mrs. Mogavero seconded. During discussion, Mr. Gaides pointed out that he had not meant at the June meeting to imply that any offer had been made or accepted regarding the creation and purchase of the GHSS aprons. He only meant that he hoped a deal could be worked out. The motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Mr. Gaides informed the committee that his written report will now include all months since town meeting. Mrs. Brien had no update on town account as June's settlement has not been received yet. Mr. Gaides then went into a repeated explanation of the insurance changes since the Senior Advisory Committee became a recognized town committee. The Selectmen have to provide the SAC a letter stating that they authorize the SAC to do the activities that would take us out of the town of Hillsborough, and those activities should be listed specifically.

NAP: Mrs. Mathison asked Mr. Gaides if interested folks can still enroll in NAP. Mr. Gaides answered that they could, the SAC will only receive residuals from the new enrollees as the special bonus enrollment period is over. Mr. Gaides reported last month \$42.00 in residual were received. Mrs. Brien pointed out that if a customer receives the Electric Assistance Program discount on their electric supply they need to do the math to figure out if it is worth switching, as some of those folks will save more staying with PSNH supply since NAP does not offer the discount.

Parade plans: Mrs. Boss reported the kazoos came in and will be individually wrapped at 10am on Friday, and she is looking for help to do that. All supplies are in except paint and double-stick tape and we need more tools. Mrs. Boss asked Mr. Stickney to please purchase the paint. The plan for float assembly is the week before the parade, MTuThF 1pm -4pm, and a "panic day" Saturday at the same time in case it is needed. Mr. Gaides asked Mrs. Boss to please be sure to call Bernie and let him know about these plans, since they will be happening at his home. Mrs. Mogavero suggested having a young person on float learning to quilt. Mrs. Boss also noted that we will need a back up spinning wheel. Mrs. Brien pointed out that the woman who runs the sundry shop in Eaton's Furniture has a spinning wheel. Chairs were discussed and Mrs. Brien will bring 3 chairs and Mr. Stickney will bring a few more. Mrs. Mogavero asked that we find someone to handle the bubble machine in the back of the truck in case Mr. Mogavero is not yet up for the job when the time comes.

Van: Mrs. Mathison reported that there has been no progress, but that everyone has put a lot of effort into the task of finding van options. She also has approached folks about giving donations for the purpose of purchasing the van. Some are willing to be matching funds if we can find grants.

Publicity: Mrs. Mathison will contact the local papers. Mrs. Mogavero and Mrs. Peace will post the monthly calendar on local bulletin boards, such as Mapleleaf, Shaw's, HD Family health. Mrs. Brien offered to put the calendar in the town side of the post office board.

Extraneous issues: Mrs. Mathison brought up a new program called the Donation Depot. Its founder, John Cusano, was recently the subject of an article in Concord Monitor and came and spoke to the Lion's Club this month. Mrs. Mathison would like the committee to consider joining the program, but there are some unanswered questions, such as how much it will be to join and will they have things we can use? Mr. Gaides mentioned that there are other programs similar in the state, such as a free paper facility in Manchester; these should be checked into as well.

Website update: Mr. Stickney discussed his plans to put the pictures he has been taking on to the website.

Mr. Gaides asked if anyone had approached the Chamber of Commerce in regards to receiving a donation from the proceeds of the Schnitzlefest. Mrs. Mathison reported leaving a message and awaiting a reply.

Guest Speaker Meg Curtis arrived at 10:45am.

Mrs. Curtis is an Alzheimer's Caregiver advocate and consultant, certified by the Boston University Alzheimer's center. She is also the owner and operator of Stonewall Fall B&B. Mrs. Curtis outlined her plans to convert the business plan for the Bed and Breakfast into a Caregiver Respite and Retreat. She has lined up Massage therapy, Rijeka, Grief counseling, and Yoga to offer to her guests.

Mrs. Curtis is also working with Visiting Angels Alzheimer's Care to provide education and outreach. She is currently working with the Hillsborough PD to create a wandering patient registry. Manchester PD currently runs one and uses paper and online registration.

Finally, Mrs. Curtis is planning on creating a caregiver support group at her Bed and Breakfast. She is asking for the SAC to support the group with advertising and planning for the meetings.

The committee agreed that the support group should be a priority. Mrs. Mathison scheduled a planning session for the group on August 13, 2pm at St Mary's.

Mrs. Curtis left the meeting at 11:15am.

Mr. Gaides asked for a status of the LifeLine Grant application discussed at a previous meeting. Mrs. Mathison will check and report back.

Mr. Gaides also reminded the committee of the FREE Dance Program being offered at Deering Town Hall. Michelle Johnson, the organizer of the program, has put October 17th in as a tentative date of the first program.

Mr. Gaides reported having received an email from the Chamber of Commerce that had the information of a volunteer, who is new to the area. She is looking for ways to get involved in the community. He pointed out that there must be others looking for ways to get involved. Perhaps we could partner with the Chamber to coordinate.

Mrs. Boss brought up research she had done into the Books a Million book fair fundraiser. If SAC advertizes a certain day as a book fair day, BAM will donate 10% of all sales that day to the group

Mrs. Boss also let the committee know that she had been approached by members of the church and that a few pieces of equipment are missing. Specifically, parts of a chafing dish. Members of the committee stated that they had been looking for the pieces. Mrs. Boss asked that someone contact Mr. or Mrs. Galpin to let them know where, specifically, SAC had looked to find the dishes.

Mrs. Mathison stated the date of the next meeting would be August 6th at 10am. Mrs. Brien made a motion to close the meeting, Mrs. Boss seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting closed at 11:55am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Brien

Secretary.