

Longmeadow Council on Aging
Minutes of Meeting
November 15, 2007

Meeting started promptly at 9:30 a.m.

In attendance were: Center Director, K. Michelman, P. Camerota, G. Pennington, A. Friberg, A. Hoffman, B. Rochford, D. Nadeau, S. Firestone, J. Carey, T. DeMeza, E. Blake, C. Burke, J. O'Donnell, C. Hamlin.

Absent: E. Stolar and E. Heye

Guest: Kathleen Grady, Select Board

Secretary's Report: Accepted as read with the exception that Jim O'Donnell informed all that he had been in attendance two meetings prior but had been marked absent.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by K. Michelman as a handout entitled Longmeadow Adult Center Financial Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Benefactors: No Report

Legislative: Alana reported that there was nothing new and K. Michelman reported that Gail Candaras voted for emergency home heating.

GSSSI: Ernie Blake reported that the Annual Meeting will be held at Chez Josef and that last month the meeting was on healthcare.

Longmeadow Update: S. Finestone reported that the Override passed by a wide margin of 4 votes and that there would be a recount. He also reported that the Town Meeting was being at on the 27th. Kathy Grady informed and passed out to the board how the tax breaks for seniors are and who is eligible and suggested that that same information be put in the newsletter.

Nutrition: E. Rochford – informed that today there were 60 in the dining room and 30 MOW. She questioned that on Mondays in the dining room it looks like the rooms had been used over the weekend. K. Michelman informed that both the State and the Town had performed the health inspection of the kitchen. It was asked if they had cited the servers, kitchen helpers for not wearing hairnets and the answer was no. B. Rochford informed the group that she was not enthralled with the idea of wearing hairnets.

Over 60: A. Friberg reported that December 6th is the holiday party and they are using the van and the club is paying for it.

SALT: T. DeMeza – reported that on Monday there was a presentation on reverse mortgages and that on Dec. 10 (Monday at 1 p.m.) there will be a presentation on Long Term Care by a representative from SHINE.

Transportation: Karen reported that for special outings ridership is plentiful however on an everyday basis - not so good. They have had successful trips for foliage and trips to the mall.

FOLOCA George Pennington reported that they are still working on sprucing up the facility (carpet/paint) as well as benches. There will be a fund raising mailer in the very near future.

Director's Report: K. Michelman reported that the Flu Clinic will be held November 28th from 10-1. Home visits have increased for flu shots. Fuel assistance applications are available and are handled by the social worker. Emergency meals have gone out. The Volunteer Abatement program is winding down and there are 13 slots available. Also, that had been a town wide supervisors meeting held last month which she found very informative.

Old Business: Pat Camerota reported that she, Jerry Camerota as President of FOLOCA and John Carey went to Board Member Training Program. She reported that Longmeadow is very much on target with what they do. She passed out a handout detailing the meeting and reported that our Mission is to Service Elders.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane B. Nadeau, Secretary