Town of Hudson Council on Aging

Minutes for COA Board Meeting 1/3/2018, Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church Street, Hudson, MA

Meeting was called to order at 1:03 pm by Diane Durand, Chair.

Members who were in attendance: Diane Durand, Chair; Vinny Giombetti, Vice-Chair; Tony Monteiro, Secretary; Ed Silveira; John Gill; Glenna Karvoski; and Janice Long; Director.

Member who was absent: Nina Smith; Treasurer; Charlie Corley; and Peg Bouvier

Affiliate Member in attendance: Gloria Goostray

Others Present: None

Diane asked for any additions/deletions to the **Agenda**. A motion was made by Ed Silveira to accept the agenda and seconded by Vinny Giombetti and the vote was unanimous to accept the motion.

Diane asked for any corrections or additions to the **Minutes of the 12/6/2017 Board Meeting.** A motion to accept the minutes was made by Vinny Giombetti, seconded by Ed Silveira and the vote was unanimous to accept he motion.

Due to the absence of Nina Smith, Janice Long presented the **Treasurer's Report**. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Vinny Giombetti and seconded by Glenna Karvoski. The vote was unanimous to accept the motion.

Acceptance of the **Director's Report** was moved by Ed Silveira, seconded by Glenna Karvoski and approved unanimously.

Janice highlighted problem the Center is having with the gas shutting off in the kitchen when too many burners on the stove are used. Ray Girard and Chief Blood have been involved with trying to get this issue corrected. The Fire Dept. is continuing to work on this and Ray Girard will be contacting them to see what they have been able to find out.

Acceptance of the Outreach Report was moved by Ed Silveira, seconded by John Gill and approved unanimously.

Acceptance of the **Bus Driver's Report** was moved by Vinny Giombetti, seconded by Ed Silveira and approved unanimously.

Friends' Report: Gloria Goostray indicated that there was nothing new to report.

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Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

- 1. Due to the retirement of Peg Bouvier from the COA, the Board needs to find a replacement. Janice Long has contacted the Town for copies of interest sheets for review. The Board decided to interview the prospective replacements at its regular February meeting. Janice Long will contact the candidates and arrange for them to attend.
- 2. On Tuesday, December 26th the Senior Center ramp and stairways were not shoveled or salted by the 8:00am opening time, after a snow storm that had ended the day before. It was determined that Ray Girard, who is normally responsible to see that this is taken care of, was on vacation and did not make plans to have this done in his absence. When the problem arrose, DPW was contacted by Virginia Figueiredo to see if they could help out and they responded. When Ray Girard returned from vacation, Janice Long had discussions with him and the DPW Director to put a plan in place to make sure this did not happen again. The result of these talks was that Ray would retain the responsibilty of snow cleanup for the stairs and ramp at the Senior Center but would inform the DPW when he would be away so they would take over those cleanup areas should the need arise.

It was also determined that the Senior Center does not have a shovel and Janice Long was directed by the Board to aquire 2 shovels in case spot cleanups are required.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ed Silveira, seconded by Vinny Giombetti, and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 1:46 pm.

The next meeting will be held on February 7, 2018, at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Tony Monteiro,

Secretary