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## HATFIELD COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING MINUTES February 1, 2017

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Meeting called to order at 9:08 AM by Chairperson, Kerry Flaherty, with members Amanda Zygmunt, Susan Hurley, Judy Zahn, and Director Jane Betsold present.

1. a. A motion was made by Judy Zahn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda Zygmunt, to accept the minutes of the November 2, 2017 meeting. So moved.

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No minutes for the January 4, 2017 meeting as meeting was not posted in time. Discussion notes will be available.

- b. Next Council on Aging Meeting to be held on March 1, 2017 @ 9:00 AM.

### 2. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### a. Van Transportation Reports:

1. 2011 Van – Running fine, checked handicap lift door.
2. 2013 Van – Town mechanic put new tires on January 12, 2017 - \$516.44.

#### b. HVES Nutrition Program/BOD :

1. Hatfield Nutrition Program – Running well, increase in participants.
2. Hatfield Project Council Report – On file.
3. HVES Board of Directors Meeting – No report

#### c. Programs & Activities:

1. Arts & Crafts Class Donation – Classes are going very well, well attended, people enjoying it. Participants are bringing in refreshments also. We received a \$500.00 donation from the Hatfield Police Department for future classes. The money will be in our Donations account.
2. AARP Tax Aid Program – Anyone who would like to participate needs to attend one of the local programs in Northampton, Amherst, or Hadley from February 1<sup>st</sup> through April 18<sup>th</sup>.
3. House Numbering Program – The House Numbering Program that the COA provided through the TRIAD Program has been turned over the Fire Department effective immediately. The COA provided this program from 1994 to the present. This was put in our newsletter. Bob Flaherty said they have the Senior SAFE grant that they have purchased the supplies needed. He said they will be doing community outreach to all residents to ensure proper numbering is visible from the road and especially at night for emergency services.
4. Valentine's Day Bingo – We will be having a special Valentine's Day bingo on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Each participant will be receiving a plate of cookies and refreshments will be served.

### 3: OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Job Description for Office Assistant – table
- b. TRIAD Conference Report – Kerry reported that Northampton Police Dept. gave a presentation on Autism and Dementia. What is available to ensure the safety of clients, I.D. Bracelets with a chip in them for identification if they are lost. Programs available for people with these illnesses.
- c. HRA Joint meeting Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> – Senior Center Director – Some of the Board members did an informal walk through with Chris Smith and the realtor of the vacant church on Main Street on January 20, 2017. The Rec Department was also included to see if there could be a joint use of the building. No one from the Rec Department attended the walk through or showed any interest at that time. There is a lot of space in the building, maybe too much for the COA. We need to discuss this more at a future meeting along with the needs of the COA. The Board also attended the HRA meeting one January 25 along with a member of the BOS, and few interested citizens. Discussion was about the tour of the church and Phase II Town Hall renovations.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. CPR Training for Staff – We need to set up a date for the staff. Wednesday afternoon works best. Need a 4 hour time period. Kerry and Jane will coordinate.
- b. Downstairs Cleaning COA Area – Kerry will talk with Phil about the downstairs area.
- c. Donations– Donations made from Shirley Bowes - \$25.00; Memory of Jean Symanski - \$625.00; Memory of Linda Fitz - \$25.00; and from Betty & Peter Kotch in Memory of Alice Baceski - \$20.00.

### 5. UNANTICIPATED NEW BUSINESS:

- a. S.A. Dinner for Seniors – April 2, 2017 at HES, Noon. Sponsored by the National Honor Society.
- b. Volunteer Recognition – April 27, 2017 at 5:00 PM. Discuss next meeting.
- c. Rockridge Lunch – Paige Novantry contacted us about doing a tour for our staff at Rockridge new facility and lunch some time in April. Jane will set up and let everyone know.

### 6. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Judy Zahn, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan Hurley, to adjourn the meeting. So moved.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jane Betsold, Recording Secretary