

Council on Aging Minutes Wednesday

November 13, 2019 5:30 PM Millville Senior Center

Members in Attendance.

Pam Dean Kobetitsch, Chairman

Diane Lamoureux, Secretary

Lois Laflemme,

Sue Robbins, absent

Lori Legere, Vice Chairman

Jill Anderson, Outreach Co-ordinator

Tina Cook, Member

total of 5 voting members

Meeting called to Order: Time 5:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: All lead by Chairman Pam Dean Kobetitsch

Minutes of Oct. 16, 2019 Motion to accept Lori Legere, seconded by, Tina Cook 5 Ayes motion accepted.

First Order of Business: Chairman Pam Kobetitsch announce receiving the resignation letter from Council on Aging Member Elaine Ethier, effective October 28, 2019! Elaine covered the opening of the Millville Senior Center and the two hours the craft class that were here and on the same day Elaine turned her keys into Outreach Coordinator Jill Anderson. The Council on Aging regretfully accepted Elaine's resignation. The Millville Council on Aging is losing a very vital member, who went above and beyond by helping the Millville Seniors get to the Center to enjoy crafting...helping in decisions to help restore their building to being a secure building, painting walls, replacing ceiling tiles, cleaning toilets and floors, overseeing that work needed on the building with securing contractors and supplies as needed. The COA thanks Elaine for her service on the COA. Members will miss all the positive work and help she gave us and the Millville Senior Citizens.

Continuing with the business at hand Chief Landry came in to discuss some issues he is working on:

- Chief Landry has submitted a grant to the MEMA Director for a generator for the Millville Senior Center. Total cost of this generator will be \$17000 and will be completely covered by the grant...first step is accomplished. The second step resulted in the COA Board voting as a stipulation to allow the EOC to use the Millville Senior Center in the event of a major event/disaster as may be needed. Motion was made by Lori Legere to accept this stipulation in applying for the grant for a generator for the Millville Senior Center, motion seconded by, Diane Lamoureux. Vote taken 5 Ayes motion accepted. Chief Landry said the generator will run 2x per month for 5 minutes...so cost of usage is very minimal.

Chief Landry wants to install a drug box for our seniors to use to dispose of unneeded prescriptions inside the Millville Senior Center for their safety. The Chief will empty and dispose of the contents each month. A motion was made by Lori Legere, seconded by Tina Cook to allow Chief Landry to do this, vote taken 5 Ayes Accepted. Jill Anderson mention that the Fire and Safety Co. that oversaw the checking of our fire extinguishers and responding incase of an emergency is no longer doing it! We were told a new Company Encore would be willing to take over the contract, but Chief Landry asked us to hold a little while longer while he checks into Contracting with other departments in Millville that made need this same contract to see if we all could be bulked together to save money instead of doing all separate contracts. We said we will wait for more information.

- Chairman Pam Kobetitsch addressed the status of the Friends of the Millville Seniors as still being investigated. Pam was in contact with Rep. Soter and his Aide Eric about the status of hiring an accountant for this Committee. It was suggested that Jill check with other Senior Centers that have a Friends group as to how that works and the cost of an accountant or bookkeeper so we can get this group moving forward. More info to come.
- Coordinator Report:
 - Jill Anderson mentioned that there were only 12 people receiving the flu vaccine as the nurses ran out of serum. The promised to let Jill know when they receive more so more people can be inoculated in the future.
 - The Sheriffs Crew Visit on Oct. 17 and 18 were very productive. Many items completed, walls painted, railings painted, floor washed thoroughly, ceiling lights cleaned, found faulty light connection that needs attention.
 - This past week a neighbor noticed an object on the roof and told Jill about it. Turned out it was the cap on the chimney. Jill called Peter Caruso who contacted Paul Ouellette who came a fixed the problem immediately.
 - Jill was contacted by the Mass Council On Aging about a website proposal for the Millville Senior Center. This may be a possibility for us, will need someone with capability to set it up and manage it on a monthly basis. Jill will look for more information on this and will inform us at the next meeting about the possibility to do this. This could also be done on Facebook?!
 - Lori Legere will call JHI to find out when the repairs to the front skirt of the building will be done...and to fix the work done and paid for, on the back of the building. And info on door repair/thresholds status?
 - Jill is still in need of drivers for the Van. Will investigate possible training for future drives with other COA's.
 - Janitorial help needed...should we hire someone...who...how much? Tina Cook and Diane Lamoureux will help on Mondays and Tuesdays with these issues.
 - Needed someone who will shovel the walkways to the center...the plows only drive through, do not shovel. Will ask for volunteers.

Tina Moran
Change of name
Pam and Yara
Contract vote
August
2020

- Question if we need a new Christmas Tree? Will check it out Dec. 3rd at 9:30-11:00 to decorate.
- Bingo's are the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm
- Movies suggested 1 per month possible on Thursdays or Monday afternoons...whenever Tim Labonte is available, will ask membership
- Ask membership about Luncheons in January and February?
- Diane Lamoureux mentioned that the Millville Paint Class will be starting in January on designated Monday afternoons from 12:30 to 3:30. If interested in painting please call Diane. Will post paintings in advance.
- Chairman Pam Kobetitsch made a motion to increase Outreach Coordinator's hours to 16 hours per week, seconded by Lois Laflamme, 5 Ayes Motion passed Will be revisited in January according to budget balance.
- Chairman Pam Kobetitsch acknowledged that the COA will pay for the Dec. Christmas Luncheon.
- Motion by Lori Legere to change COA meeting from Dec. 11th to December 9th, 2019 @ 2:30 after the luncheon, with a second from Diane Lamoureux. Vote taken 5 Ayes Motion accepted.

➤ Motion to adjourn Tina Cook, second by Lois Laflamme, 5 Ayes Adjourned 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Diane Lamoureux, Secretary, Minutes November 14, 2019

Motion to Accept Tina Second Pam Ayes Navs

Lois C Laflamme

Diane Lamoureux

Tina Cook

Samela Dean Kobetitsch

Lori Legere