

**COUNCIL ON AGING  
P.O. BOX 243  
Sterling, MA 01564**

The Council on Aging Board meeting was called to order at the Senior Center on Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 4:32 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**Members present:**

Anita Benware  
Sharon Bloom, Vice chair  
Irene Camerano  
Constance Cleary, Treasurer  
Sue Doucette  
Barbara Foster, Chair  
Debra MacLennan  
Peter Watson  
Ken Day, Associate

Karen Phillips, Director, attended.

**Members absent:** Mary Higgins, Secretary  
Ellen Sesia, Associate

**Approve Minutes** - Sharon made a motion to accept the April 4, 2013 minutes; Irene seconded; all in favor.

**Treasurer's Report** - No report this month.

**Nominating/Elections** - Forthcoming yearly elections were discussed. The Nominating Committee nominated Barbara Foster, Chair; Sharon Bloom, Vice-Chair; Mary Higgins, Secretary; and Connie Cleary, Treasurer. Elections for office will be held in June.

**Senior Center Building Committee Update** -

**Discuss Article on Furnishings** - It appears that this item will be dropped from the Warrant. The Senior Center will utilize the furniture we have. Talked about fund raising for furniture.

**Update on BOS Meeting on April 29<sup>th</sup>** - It went well. Thanked everyone for attending. Everyone seems to be on the same page. Selectmen are in favor. Maureen and Jack did a good job. Frank Kennedy from Diversified Project Management presented an informative slide show.

**Discuss Evening Game Night** - Scheduled for Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**Second Van Driver** -

**Pick Interview Committee** - Six (6) applicants applied for the 2<sup>nd</sup> van driver position. A sub-committee was appointed to review candidates. Barbara, Sharon and Sue volunteered. Peter made a motion to accept; Sharon seconded; all in favor.

**Set Up Interviews** - Barbara, Sharon and Sue will meet on Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup> to review applications, and set up dates and times to interview candidates.

**Town Meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup>** - Get out to vote!!!

**MySeniorCenter Update** - 171 different people came to the Senior Center through April; participated in 2,720 events; which averages about 30 people a day (some people participating in more than one event per day).

## **Director's Report -**

**Van Report #1 -** The van transported 22 people on 456 trips. The van was driven 1,264 miles.

**Van Report #2 -** The van transported 2 people on 17 trips. The van was driven 54 miles.

## **Upcoming Events -**

- 12:30 p.m., May 6<sup>th</sup> - AbiSee Assistive Reading Devices
- 7:00 p.m., May 6<sup>th</sup> - Public information meeting on new Senior Center
- 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., May 8<sup>th</sup> - Game Night
- 1:00 p.m., May 9<sup>th</sup> - Banjo-Man Program by Dick Chase. He will perform a wide variety of tunes and will feature a tenor banjo, a 5 string mandolin banjo and the banjo guitar.
- 1:00 p.m., May 13<sup>th</sup> - Mother's Day Tea Party
- 6:30 p.m., May 13<sup>th</sup> - Special Town Meeting (van is available. Call Karen to schedule.)
- 7:00 p.m., May 13<sup>th</sup> - Annual TOWN MEETING
- 1:00 p.m., May 16<sup>th</sup> - Volunteer Appreciation Day
- May 20<sup>th</sup> - TOWN Voting Day. The van is available for rides in the afternoon by calling the Senior Center at 978-422-3032.
- 1:00 p.m., Face of the Farmer in Sterling, MA talk by Lisa Perry
- 2:00 p.m., May 22<sup>nd</sup> - Floor Yoga. \$5.00 per person.
- 12:30 p.m., May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Book Club
- May 27<sup>th</sup> - Senior Center Closed
- 12:30 p.m., May 30<sup>th</sup> - Emergency Preparedness Talk by the Wachusett Medical Reserve Corp.

**Senior Center Issues -** Meal Site Manager position has been filled by MOC and will be paid by MOC until June 30, 2013. Sandra Jacala, started working in Sterling, today, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Signing of the Warrant -** The Warrant was passed around for everyone to sign.

**Future Meeting Topics -** Town Meeting; Elections; and Game Night.

**Next Meeting -** The next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2013, at 4:30 p.m.

**Adjournment -** The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m. Peter made a motion to accept; Irene seconded; all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Doucette