North Reading Council on Aging Meeting Note

Wednesday - October 16, 2019

Third Meeting House, Building on the Common

6:35 – meeting called to order – Member's present – Andrea Gladu, Kristine Pecora, Kimberly Manzelli, Dan Greenberg, Frances Cheney, Mary Prenney and Katherine McCabe-Scott

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Pending review and approval of Minutes of September 11, 2019
- 3. Friends of COA has approved funding of a new 70" TV for senior center and offered to help fund SSAT/Age Friendly as part of Project 500.
- 4. MVES fundraiser is October 17, 2019 at the Porch in Sommerville. This helps to provide funding for services provided to North Reading Elders.
- 5. SSAT and Youth Services is looking to help COA with any types of assistance possible on age friendly projects. High School students who are involved in student government have offered to help where needed possibly Thanksgiving dinner.
- 6. Town has hired a 19 hour a week van driver.
- 7. There has been an increase in people attending both town programs as well as transportation requests. Mary will provide formal numbers at next meeting. Current options being utilized include Ring and Ride and Trip (provides need based reimbursement thru MVES for transportation cost to non-family members). Good attendance has been seen at Tai Chi program at Town Hall.
- 8. AARP has approved our Age Friendly Community application! Kim and Mary are following up with appropriate parties to determine when a small gathering prior to a Selectman's meeting will be possible for Antron to provide us with a formal declaration.

Upcoming Events

October 31st Halloween Party/The Delvena Theater group

November 7th Veteran's Luncheon

November 24th Thanksgiving Dinner at Hillview

December 12th Christmas Party/Up Town Girls

Adjourn at 2015