

Commission on Aging
Lebanon Senior Center
Regular Meeting

Monday, September 10th, 2018, 6:30pm

Present: Geri McCaw, Jim Donnelly, Gary Rockefeller, Donna Lennox, Darlene Hathaway, Liz Shilosky and Bonnie LeBlanc

Also Attending: Darcy Battye

Absent: Jane Cady and Marion Russo

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Bonnie LeBlanc

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from June 11th, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed by all present. Geri McCaw moved that minutes were to be accepted, Jim Donnelly seconded the motion and all present agreed with one abstention.

Correspondence: n/a

Treasurer's report: At the end of August, we have used 15% of our budget. The van expenditures so far are \$10,598 with a remaining balance of \$55,000.

Reports: Director Darcy Battye: Attendance has been low for the summer with transportation down 200 hours for August. A groundskeeper will be hired by the town to keep up the gardens around the senior center. The generator and propane supply tank are in place and almost ready for use after some electrical work. A heater will be installed in the foyer in order to keep down the cold air blowing in each time the doors are opened. The lending of our medical equipment has been very busy as of late.

Bingo: Bingo has restarted after a month vacation with 31 in attendance. We have Friday night Bingo this coming Friday, the 14th. For the future, we may change the night Bingo to Friday afternoons for the winter. Walk-in setback will also continue .

Trips: n/a

Friends: The Friends have discussed possibly setting up a scholarship for a deserving high school senior. They are presently moving along with plans for the annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 1st. They are also planning on delivering presents to the patients at Vanderman Nursing Home in Willimantic.

Luncheon: The menu this week was shepherd's pie. Next week will be corn chowder and chicken noodle soup.

Old Business: Transportation policy changes.

New business: Printed letters were made available to the public as well as notations in the newsletter of the changes that were necessary in the transportation policies. These were made to help bring us more within our planned budget for transportation. One new driver has been hired and possibly another is in the works. There have been mixed reviews in the purchase of new chairs for the lunch room. We may choose another sample to try and see which one will work the best for us. We will be closed on Monday, October 8th for Columbus Day, so that our next COA meeting will be on October 15th. On Sunday, November 11th, we will be serving dinner for all our Lebanon veterans. Our October Fest (cabaret) will be held on Friday, October 19th. The Christmas cabaret will be on Friday, December 21st. We will have a half day Wednesday before Thanksgiving and close until the following Monday.

Public Forum: We would still like to come up with some additional ideas that will help us increase our attendance and serve more seniors.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Donnelly, seconded by Geri McCaw and approved by all. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted

Donna Lennox