

Senior Advisory Committee Minutes – December 1, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by Chair Vail.

Roll Call

Members present were: Lucky D'Ascanio, Jen DeRice, Carol Kauffman, Dolores Vail, Joel Glass, and Ray Jett. Russ Anderson, Catherine Hannon, Amy Lamontagne, and Peggy McGehee were absent.

Item 1 – Approve Minutes of November 3 meeting.

Joel moved to approve the minutes; Ray seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 2 – Follow-up from November 23 meeting discussion

Delores reported that the meeting went very well and the council voted unanimously to support the committee's report and agreed to the committee spending up to \$5000 for contractor consultation and preliminary design work regarding the Senior Center kitchen area. The council also supported extending the committee for one year and adding two additional committee members. Delores also mentioned that even though the council supports the committee's report, that does not necessarily suggest they will support each and every recommendation.

Item 3 – Discussion about the committee's next steps

There was much discussion about future meetings and the committee would like to ask Amy to poll committee members regarding: (1.) keeping the meetings at 6:00pm but moving them to the Town Hall or (2.) moving the meeting to 8:00am and keeping the meetings at Mason-Motz. Several members thought that in the winter months the parking situation at M-M at 6:00pm coupled with snow and ice and dark parking areas may be too dangerous while others thought that a daytime meeting time would be easier.

Regarding next steps the following was discussed:

- Joel will research transportation options
- Jen will forward Cape Elizabeth's Senior-to-Senior program information to Amy who will connect with the Student Community Service Coordinator at FHS to perhaps recommend replication
- Ray will meet with Denise Macaronas to discuss what Denise has compiled for area Senior Centers with regard to dues, activities, hours of operation, etc.
- Community Programs will continue forward progress with initiatives for increased senior citizen access and activities at M-M

- Amy will reach out to the Town Clerk to determine if there is a list of services already in place and how it can be expanded as well as to determine if there are applicants for the two additional committee seats.

Item 4 - Other Business

Lucky mentioned that Doten's Construction is continuing to work on preliminary design and cost for the kitchen area and side door for the Senior Room

The next meeting is **January 5 at TBA** at the Mason Motz Activity Center or Town Hall.

Item 5 – Adjourn

Chair Vail adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.