

## **Senior Citizen Advisory Committee**

### **Minutes – December 14, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am by Chair Vail.

#### **Roll Call**

Members present were: Lucky D'Ascanio, Joel Glass, Jen DeRice, Carol Kauffman, Ned Kitchel and Dolores Vail. Absent were: Peggy McGehee, Catherine Hannon, Herb Hartley and Amy Lamontagne.

#### **Item 1 – Approve Minutes of November 9**

Jen moved to approve the minutes; Joel seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **Item 2 – Transportation Discussion**

Joel presented his findings with regard to Yarmouth's (YCAN) transportation program. YCAN is a 501c(3) Not-for-Profit since 2012 offering many programs for Yarmouth residents. They do provide transportation for Seniors using a "volunteer pool". Those volunteers use their own vehicles and thus their own insurance. They are not reimbursed for mileage. Jean Rafford administers the program and calls it "uber-esque". They currently have 25 drivers and all rides are must be requested 48 hours in advance. YCAN carries a \$1M liability insurance policy as well as Director's Liability for their Board of Directors. Nat Tupper, Yarmouth Town Manager sits on the Board. It was discussed that the coordination of such a program could become a role of the Senior Service Coordinator. It was also noted that in 2016, 22 individuals used the service in Yarmouth for a total of 161 round trips for medical appointments and 20 individuals used it for a total of 293 non-medical trips (grocery shopping, post office, etc.)

Dolores will contact Cumberland and ask that they speak at our next meeting regarding the transportation program.

#### **Item 3 – Senior Room Construction Update**

Lucky reported that work has finally begun on the Senior Room at Mason-Motz and the room had been "gutted" and sub-contractors are in daily to prep for their role. General Contractor, Matt Crowley expects to finish by mid-February if all goes as planned. Lucky also stated that the furniture has been ordered.

Lucky also noted that Senior Programs (55+) continue to occur at the Mason-Motz Activity Center in an alternate classroom during construction.

**Item 4 – Other Business**

Dolores asked about volunteers to help Seniors shovel driveways and roofs etc, and Lucky said she would contact Erin Cadigan to see if any names were derived from the Volunteer Fair that the 300<sup>th</sup> Committee held at M-M last month

**Item 5 – Next Meeting**

Due to the fact that Jen, Lucky, Carol and possibly others would not be available on January 11 the committee decided to meet on Wednesday January 4.

**Item 6 – Adjourn**

Chair Vail adjourned the meeting at 9:56 am.