



Watertown Council on Aging

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Minutes of C.O.A. Board Meeting – June 9, 2010

Present: Pat Gold, Jane Stadolnik, Mary Keenan, Mike Donham, Hagop Sarkissian, Dottie Fleming, and Betty Finnell.

Members Excused Absence: Will Twombly and Marie Morello.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30.

1. The May minutes were reviewed by Board members. A “typo” was noted. Mike Donham made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected and Mary Keenan seconded. Passed.
2. Financial Statements:
The statements for the last month were reviewed. Caryl Fox noted that most line items would be spent down by the end of the fiscal year.
3. Medicare Update on New Health Care Law:
A flyer on the new Medicare law was sent to everyone on Medicare by a federal agency. A speaker from Social Security / Medicare will be scheduled to speak at the Center in the fall. The importance of seniors at the Center having accurate information on this new law was emphasized.
4. Senior Parking Lot Meter Proposal:
The traffic commission approved stickers for Watertown seniors sixty-five and over to park for free at two hour meters at the three municipal lots. Verification will be required and a small fee charged. The Senior Center will administer this program. Forms and stickers will need to be approved by the Police Chief. The start date is October 1, 2010.
5. Baby Boomers and Senior Services and Programs:
This agenda item was not discussed at this meeting.
6. Director's News:
 - a. New carpeting will be installed this month as part of the Senior Center FY '10 Capital Improvements line item.
 - b. The FY '11 Budget for the department was passed on June 8, 2010. Funding for a new senior bus was included under capital improvements.
 - c. The Watertown Community Foundation awarded the Senior Center nine hundred dollars for a series of Meditation classes.
 - d. The “Be a Good Neighbor” flyer with information about Watertown Senior Services on the reverse side will be distributed in the next real estate bill mailing. The Friends of the COA paid for the printing.
7. The Phillips School will be renovating the first floor for the Family Network Program as well as a potential day care center for school staff. A five hundred and twenty-five thousand dollar loan authorization for the project was approved by the Town Council. Concerns about parking and gym usage were raised as well as the need to be included in future planning pertaining to space that is used by the Senior Center.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Caryl Leslie Fox