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Patricia Gold, *Chairperson*

Minutes of COA Board Meeting – May 9, 2012

Members present: Pat Gold, Dottie Fleming, Mary Keenan, Hagop Sarkissian, Will Twombly, and V.V. Martin.

Member excused absence: Mike Donham

Staff members present: Caryl Fox, Kathleen Wolf, Debbie Dunn, and Laura Gold.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Chairperson, Pat Gold.

1. Minutes of Last Board Meeting:

The minutes of the April meeting were read by Board members. V.V. Martin made a motion to approve the minutes and Mary Keenan seconded. Passed.

2. Financial Statements:

The gas and electric line items were spent less during this fiscal year due to the mild weather. All the line items will be spent down further before the end of FY '12.

3. Yard Sale Update:

The yard sale on May 5, 2012 was very successful, in terms of the amount of money that was raised for the Senior Center Revolving Fund (\$2,382), but also we had more volunteers than last year and a lot of enthusiasm for the event. Donations came in from the Watertown community and many people from the Town came to the event. Books that were left over went to a new donation center, "More Than Words" and other items went to "Global Thrift". Thanks to Board members who helped in many ways.

4. FY '13 Fiscal Update:

The Town Manager has recommended a level-funded budget for FY '13, which includes small increases for all the supply line items. The budget hearing for our department will be on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

5. Senior Safety Update:

Break-ins targeting seniors have taken place in all areas of Watertown. The Police Department has a task force dealing with this problem. The June newsletter will include safety tips suggested by the Police.

6. LGBT Event Update:

A presentation by the LGBT Aging Update will be held at Springwell on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 9:00 am. The Marshall Home Fund is a sponsor of this event, which is open to people from all agencies, businesses, and organizations who work with seniors.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15.

Submitted by Caryl Leslie Fox