

**TOWN OF SOMERS
THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE ELDERLY
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 12, 2010 MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Jenifer Charette at 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Bachetti, Elaine Bemont, Jenifer Charette, Ailene Henry and Karen Norrie,

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jordan Chatis, Dorothy Hillman, Marilyn Smith and Arlene Yarnes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of minutes of September 14, 2010 with a motion by Pat Bachetti and a second by Ailene Henry.

AUDIENCE: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chairperson's Report - *Resource Guide is in the process of being revised by Karen Norrie, Ailene Henry and Florence Hurley. It is hoped to have this ready for the first of the year. *Newsletter for October/November has been sent out after some serious printing problems. Town hopes to get Jennifer the proper version of Adobe for future use. *Busses are in good working condition and lift seems to be working fine. *New blinds have been installed throughout the building. *Kitchen still in need of being painted. This will be done soon. *Delays arose in the cleaning of the rug at the senior center. Three days are needed to give the rug time to dry. It was suggested by the Board that perhaps rug could be shampooed on November 11, which is a Thursday, and the center could be closed on Friday to give the rug a chance to properly dry. *Grant for \$220,000 has been received. Plans will need to be made as to how this money can be spent the most wisely. Current plans call for a sidewalk from the cemetery to Main Street, redoing the senior center parking lot and a building addition. Thought has to be put into using the additional space best for the welfare of all. *November 2 Blood Pressures will be done at Woodcrest instead of the senior center due to the center being used for election purposes.

Meals on Wheels – No report this month.

Senior Lunches/Senior Club – Arlene was not present but note suggested the following news: *The Dion lunch is scheduled for Wednesday, October 20. Reservations are required and prepayment is necessary. *Halloween Party for all seniors will be held on Friday evening, October 29th. It is hoped that some people will come in costume to add to the festivities.

Senior Support – Pat Bachetti reported that she is currently seeing two people at the nursing facility. An auction is being planned for the November time period. If anyone knows of a Somers resident at Blair Manor, please let Pat know and she will stop by to see them.

OLD BUSINESS:

Somers Community Health and Wellness Association – Marilyn Smith sent a note stating that the fair went well. More than 100 people received flu shots and were happy with the various vendors there. Door prizes were given out. Feedback indicates people would like to see another health fair next year.

Somers Seniors Resource Guide – Ailene Henry and Karen Norrie have volunteered to work with Florence Hurley in getting this guide up to date. Current information is from the year 2005. It is hoped to have this new guide available by the first of the year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Senior Club By-laws – Question arose as to whether this board needs to see the by-laws of the Somers Senior Center Club. After much discussion, it was felt that because the center was a town facility, our First Selectwoman should be the one to ask for a copy of the by-laws if she felt it was necessary to have them.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11:20 P.M. by motion of Karen Norrie with a second by Pat Bachetti.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine L. Bemont, Secretary

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