

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE ELDERLY  
MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2011 MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order by Jenifer Charette at 11:35 A.M.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Dorothy Hillman, Marilyn Smith and Arlene Yarnes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of minutes of April 12, 2011 with a motion by Ailene Henry and a second by Pat Bachetti.

**AUDIENCE:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Memo from Susan King regarding forwarding a copy of the MOW menu once it is completed and information going out to her clients regarding various meals served outside of the senior center.

Also reported were responses to the Somers Senior Citizens' Club letter regarding activities they are expected to continue with as well as the response to a letter regarding a catering bill and lunch supplies.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Chairperson's Report - \*Entire building has now been repainted inside and the gutters have been repaired. \*It is hoped that the artists group will prepare a still-life painting for the new kitchen. \*Prisoners have been growing plants for transplanting to the senior garden in the near future. Soda machine will be installed very shortly and will contain soda, water and juice. Cost will be \$.90 per drink, 30 cents of which goes to the Society for the Blind. \*Picture of the Senior Center has been taken for the new resource guide which will be ready to be handed out shortly. \*Newsletter production has been changed to every three months due to the high cost of printing and mailing. Next issue will be for June/July/August.

Meals on Wheels – No news from Susan King this month. It is hoped to have a menu from whoever prepares future meals so that this can be reviewed by a nutritionist to be sure we are satisfying the needs of the clients.

Senior Lunches/Senior Club – No report from the Senior Club this month.

Senior Support – Pat Bachetti is currently working with three patients at Blair Manor. If anyone knows of someone who is a patient at Blair Manor, please let Pat know and she will include them in her program.

Senior Information Guide – Guide is currently finished and waiting for cover/printer to complete. Booklet is ready to go to printing and will be distributed at various areas in town. i.e., Senior Center, Library, Woodcrest, Congregational Church, Drug Store, etc.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Resident Coordinator at Woodcrest – Board needs to know where this position stands. Letter will be sent to the Housing Authority seeking more information on this subject.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Senior Summit – A special Senior Advisory Board meeting will be held so members can meet with representatives from the Board of Selectmen regarding various issues important to the seniors in town. The Selectmen, in turn, will hold a question and answer period after the Wednesday lunch on June 22. Tentative date for this meeting is Tuesday, May 17 at 11:00 at the senior center.

Advisory Board Meetings – Pat Bachetti made a motion that we should resume using the Sun Room for our advisory board meetings due to interruptions/noise, etc. Elaine Bemont seconded the motion.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M. by motion of Ailene Henry with a second by Karen Norrie.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine L. Bemont, Secretary

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