

Senior Center Board Minutes: May 8, 2025

Present: David Collins, Mary Mosley, Janice Wright (Ashfield); Ellen Eller, Janice Fleuriel (Buckland); Suzanne E. Bishop, Nancy Brewer, Penny Spearance (Shelburne); Juli Moreno, Director. Guests: Sylvia Orcutt, Peter Otten, Margaret Payne (Senior Center Foundation). Absent: Sylvia Smith, Joanne Soroka, Wayne Wickland.

Prior to the Board of Directors meeting, Senior Center Foundation (SCF) members joined us to discuss how we'll work together as the District becomes operational. SCF Treasurer Peter Otten reported that the Foundation has over \$200,000 in a CD earning 4%, designated for a future capital campaign. The annual appeal raised \$18,000, less the \$3,000 it cost. With \$10,000 in unrestricted funds and \$20,000 "somewhat available," they will continue to help the Center, especially for emergencies like stove repairs. They will hold an auction in April 2026, and will need help. They also need a PR person. We hope to have quarterly COA Board/SCF meetings.

Chair Janice Wright called the Board meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. Penny Spearance moved to accept the minutes of the April meeting with corrections; Sue Bishop seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Treasurer Sue Bishop reported that all expenses are as expected as we go into the second round of Formula Grants.

In her Director's report, Juli Moreno said we haven't replaced Bob Szafran yet so we'll work with FRTA and "hobble along," depending on Beverly and Paul until we hire someone. FRTA will cover the Walmart and Big Y trips and provide med-rides; we will maintain the smaller vehicle. Juli is preparing a letter to explain things to regular riders.

The Masons' trustees want more rent but Juli said the lease will stay the same for this year; she'll meet with them again in October. Meanwhile the Center will charge them for events when they use our equipment and don't clean up afterward. *Handwritten: I would like to*

Juli said Teddy is in SHINE training three days a week and expects to be set up by August. He's overseeing cookie deliveries to homebound people in Ashfield and will make the same arrangement in Buckland.

Janice Fleuriel said the Board of Managers (BOM) has a Treasurer. They secured liability insurance, including workman's comp and property coverage and will officially take charge July 1. They meet next Thursday to vote on bylaws and will draft a letter to the Retirement Board.

Janice Wright reported that the Ashfield COA still plans to have monthly meetings and is working on changes to their calendar. They will have catered event at Elmer's in November instead of a Christmas meal. Buckland is planning two events at the Rec Area Pavilion and will participate in a Mass-in-Motion "summit." Penny Spearance reported that the Shelburne COA received the \$1,000 they requested. There will be a joint COA planning meeting before our June Board meeting.

Nancy Brewer reported that the SCF has a balance of \$292,778.87.

Nancy Brewer moved to adjourn the meeting, Sue Bishop seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m. Next meeting: Thursday, June 10, at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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