

Williamsburg Senior Center Advisory Board

Minutes of the Meeting: December 18, 2019

Present: Daria D'Arienzo, Gerry Mann, Jacqueline Dufresne, Margaret Ricci, Maureen O'Brien, Sherry Loomis. Quorum was met.

The meeting was called to order at 12:18 p.m.

Minutes of previous minutes: Sherry will circulate and type up minutes of the Meeting of November 20, 2019. Maureen is to re-circulate the Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 29, 2019 and the minutes of December 18, 2019. All minutes will be finalized at the January 2020 meeting and posted on the Town website.

Outreach: Carole and Trina continue to work on outreach.

Sherry Loomis reports:

- PVTA and Highland Valley Elder Services bills are caught up.
- Six people remain on staff.
- The same hours and salary for food service has been split up between Melinda and Susan Farrell.
- Sand and survival bags were delivered on Thursday 12/12/2019.
- The Williamsburg Volunteer Fire Department delivered fleece blankets to vulnerable seniors.

The C.O.A. Board acknowledges the extra work Staff members have assumed in order for the Senior Center to function at a high level and to provide services for seniors whose needs always expand in the winter season.

Old Business:

A thank you note was received from Care for the Homeless of New York City; 175 handmade items were delivered before Christmas. Another batch is ready to go out to them on the 26th of December. An online national news article was written about this generous community effort to meet a big city need by a small rural town. Sherry will send a link to the thank you and the article.

Jim Cahillane has stepped back to Associate Member status. The Board thanks him for years of dedicated service. Maureen O'Brien has become a full Board Member.

Director of Senior Center search: The Williamsburg Selectboard is serving as the search committee to find a replacement for the Director position. Five resumes have been received. Review of resumes will begin on January 7, 2020.

Other Business

In the interim between directors, Sherry says things are going well. Musical events, supported by the donation account, have been well received. Energy-efficient window shades are in the works, among other previously approved improvements.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Adjournment at 12:54 p.m.