

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

MAY 20, 2014

4:00PM

Present: Val Buckley, (Director/ex Officio), Mary Burlinson, Cheryl Constand, Sharon Cregeen (Chair), Maryellen Diana, Anne Fiyalka, Prabha Gupta (Secretary), Eunice Hanson, Joan Kirk (ex-officio), Kay Oestreicher (ex-officio)

Absent: Vince Capprio, , Florence Eastwood, Eric Lawton, Dr. Sal and Marilyn Santella

OLD BUSINESS:

1. To date five additional parking spaces have been provided for the ESC, however, that has not resolved the parking problem for seniors. Increased traffic from the Speech Academy (staff and parents) , Park & Rec., and the New Arts Center has made parking more problematic for seniors. Parking spaces designated for seniors are bein used by the patrons of the above facility. Val suggested that members of the Advisory Board approach Town Hall in the effort to get the ongoing issue(since 1999) resolved. The center needs a minimum of 65 spaces as promised. Sharon Cregeen asked asked Val for the letter from P & Z stating number spaces allocated for ESC back in 2010. Adam Dunsby, First Selectman, thinks Mr Hayes has a plan, however, he was not sure what it entailed. Additional spaces will allow the center to maintain and increase activities, and allow seniors to have easy, safe access to parking.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Let's Keep Seniors in Town Suggestions

Several Projects were suggested to meet the special needs of Seniors in need of:

Fuel assistance-need to be defined

Home fix-up projects

Ipad/iphone usage instruction

grocery help snow

shoveling/yard cleanup

- October 29th will be the 25th anniversary of the ESC celebration. We need to think of ways to celebrate the events and folks to invite.
- Fundraising ideas:
Once a month "Soups on Sale." Starting in Sept. or Oct. there will be 9 teams chaired by Sharon Cregeen will make 2 kinds of soups which will be for sale to the public in qt. containers. Sale dates will be the day after the A.B meets each month.
Tag sales are scheduled in June and September run by various groups.
Holiday Boutique (chaired by Maryellen)

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Christmas Wrapping (chaired by Cheryl)

Silent Auction and Gift Baskets

A spaghetti dinner might be included soon.

Maryellen made a motion to adjourn. Mary seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary Burlinson (sub for Prabha Gupta)

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Jen Kline
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