COHASSET ELDER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Willcutt Commons
91 Sohier Street
Cohasset, Ma 02025

January 13, 2020

MINUTES

In Attendance: Elinore Barrett, Tana Carlson, Jim Carpenter, Elaine Coyne, Rich Hynes, Diana Karcher, Paul Kierce, Sarah Livermore, Jim Murphy, Taffy Nothnagle, Beth Tarpey

Not in Attendance: Sue Reagan

Also Attending: Nancy LaFauce, Nettie Nuttle, Helene Lieb

Paul Kierce, Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:36 am. December minutes were accepted.

Treasurer’s Report:

YTD expenditures in total are in line with our FYE 2020 budget... having expended 45.44% over the first 6 months. The Formula Grant balance to be expended at 12/31 is $12,720 (63%). YTD receipts in revolving account exceed expenditures by $6,048. Our available balance is 30,619 at 12/31. Dec receipt in the gift account is a donation from St. Stephens. No expenditures reported in Dec. Total gift fund balance is $46,048. The remaining balance of $6,942 representing voluntary RE donations plus interest earned thereon, was distributed f/b/o recipients of the aid in December. No balance remains at 12/31.

10 applicants were accepted. The committee was sunotted this morning. DPW got a grant for back up cameras for our vans. Treasurer’s Report accepted.

Director’s Report:

Atlantica luncheon was a big success. Many thanks to Cohasset Hospitality Partners for their generosity. I was asked by a St. Stephen’s parish committee member to talk about CEA after services on Sunday, Jan 12 and explain what we do here at
Willcut Commons.
Erica Diaz, MSW, joined us on 1/6/20 to assist with hoarding and other challenging behaviors and needs of older adults.
Received a generous donation from the Community Garden Club of Cohasset for program needs.
Coat drive was a huge success. We collected more than 50 coats for Fr. Bill’s.
CEA will join forces with REC, Safe Harbor and Library for a community service float in the 250th parade. We are in need of volunteers to work on it with us.
Valentine’s day luncheon will be held on Thursday, 2/13/20 with an Elvis impersonator.
Matter of Balance is an 8 week evidence based workshop facilitated by Norwell VNA starting in March.
Community dinner will be on Feb.4.
Aging Mastery 10 week workshop discussing exercise, sleep, healthy eating, financial fitness, advanced planning, healthy relationships, medication management, community engagement, and fall prevention. Begins end of February on Tuesday evening.
Nettie explained further the Age Friendly Initiative including a survey going out to all residents in town age 60+.
CEA by the numbers: 391 older adults joined us over 800 times for activities, programs and services in December. Volunteers delivered 335 meals to 16 homebound individuals and provided 383 rides for folks to get to their medical appointments, shopping trips, and around town.

**Liaison Reports:**

Advisory – Helene – Helene is now Chairwoman. They will meet with all Department heads and make recommendations for next year's budget. Helene emphasized using Willcut for seniors first before allowing other events. We assumed there was a misunderstanding because we had a one time event where we cancelled classes for that day but Willcut was still opened for people to come in and partake of the festivities.

Housing Authority – Taffy – Trettis under construction! Ground breaking was in December. Brian Costello from Cohasset is helping out as Clerk of the Works.
Launch has been really helpful at 60 Elm.

Affordable – Paul & Beth – have drafted an affordable housing production plan and will present to the Selectman tomorrow. Once accepted by town, it goes to State for certification. We then discussed the issue of sewer and
housing.

250th – Diana did a great job starting off our 250th year!

**Open Business:**

Meeting adjourned @ 9:45 am.

Next meeting date: Monday, January 13, 2020 @ 8:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Elinore Barrett, Secretary