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C O M M I T T E E

**MINUTES**

Wednesday, May 13, 2015

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pete O'Donnell, Tom Gruber, Peter Bingham, Teri Maloney-Kelly, Barbara Berkovich, Dawn Berman, Cathy Campbell, Lisa Crowley, Jennifer Freeman, Jean Lamson, Suzie McCormack, K.C. Putnam, Sally Semmes-Pierce, Paula Slipp, Christine Turner, Cindy Stennett.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sandy Nickerson, Mary Ellen (?)

**I. Welcome**

**II. Approval of April 8, 2015 meeting minutes**

Motion by Suzie McCormack, seconded by Paula Slipp, to approve the April 8, 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

**III. Updates from Tom, Peter, Teri & Pete**

Teri Maloney-Kelly reported that she attended a Communications and a Transportation subcommittee recently. The subcommittees are all doing great work and she hopes to be able to attend more in the future.

She recently completed a class offered by SMAA called "A Matter of Balance". The course teaches practical strategies to reduce falls and increase activity levels.

Tom Gruber updated the committee on various legislative initiatives in Augusta in regard to Aging in Place. He recently testified on LD909 which is a proposal that all Maine municipalities promote aging in place initiatives.

He met with the Chairman of the Falmouth Town Council to discuss their recently formed senior advisory committee and offered his assistance if they need it.

A grant request will be submitted to the John T. Gorman Foundation in conjunction with SMAA to bring services to Cumberland seniors.

The Town of Yarmouth received a grant to develop a list of approved vendors (i.e. contractors, etc.) for seniors to utilize.

Pete O'Donnell reported that he is working on getting in touch with real estate developers to discuss their potential interest in developing elderly housing in Cumberland.

**IV. Subcommittee Reports**

Subcommittee reports are attached.

**V. Update on full committee process and roles of subcommittees and full committee**

Teri Maloney-Kelly explained that Leadership (Co- Chairs and Town Council Liaisons) meet every two weeks. She requested that subcommittees let them know the dates that they are meeting. She, or another Leadership member, would like to try to attend those meetings.

Leadership is the conduit for all information to flow through and approve. Before any information is made public, it must be approved by the Leadership.

The Communications Subcommittee should receive any ads, postings, etc. to review, approve, and send to the Leadership for final approval.

**VI. Survey update**

The committee reviewed the survey and cover letter. The survey will be sent to the printer next week.

**VII. Durable Medical Equipment**

Peter Bingham said that he will speak to the Town Manager and come up with a plan that works for the Town. Location and available space may be a problem.

**VIII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brenda Moore  
Committee Secretary