

MINUTES OF THE GRAFTON COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING
June 14, 2007

Members present: William Drago, Chair, William Cutler, Vice-Chair, Marcella Benoit, Secretary, Shirley Antaya, Doris Fowler, Barbara Gardner, Rev. Phil Goff, Chet Jakubiak, Winifred Paul

Members absent: Phyllis Brown

Also present: Michelle Drumm, Senior Center Director
Roland Richard, FOGE President

Bills were signed by all members present.

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 P.M. by William Drago, Chairman.

The Secretary's report was read by Marcella Benoit. Motion to accept as read was made by Shirley Antaya, seconded by Barbara Gardner. So moved.

The Director's Report was reviewed by Michelle Drumm. She thanked FOGE for the donation of the defibrillator for the Senior Center bus. Motion to accept the report as reviewed was made by Rev. Goff, seconded by Chet Jakubiak. So moved.

Correspondence – Memos for upgrading positions for van drivers and Senior Center Director discussed. Motion to table this subject until the next meeting was made by Rev. Goff as more detailed information is necessary before making a decision. Motion was seconded by Chet Jakubiak. So moved.

William Drago discussed the issues that are arising due to cutbacks. He urged committee members to volunteer a few hours to help Michelle Drumm.

FOGE Report

- FOGE presented the defibrillator to the Senior Center for the Senior Center van.
- FOGE will be giving a free lunch each month to those seniors whose birthdays are that month and who attend lunch that day – usually the fourth Tuesday of the month.
- Cost of mailing the newsletter has increased. For each \$5.00 dues paid, it costs \$2.88 annually to mail the Senior Gazette to those residing in Grafton. The cost rises dramatically as other zip codes and states are added to the mailings. There was some discussion by COA members who felt all Grafton seniors should receive the newsletter. At this time, the cost is prohibitive.

A motion to acknowledge FOGE's report was made by Barbara Gardner, seconded by Doris Fowler. So moved.

Michelle Drumm commented there is an anonymous donor who sends checks to cover free rides in the Grafton Senior van.

The slate of officers for the coming year was elected.

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Motion to adjourn was made by Rev. Goff, seconded by William Cutler. So moved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55PM. The next meeting will be August 9, 2007 at 1:00 P.M. in the craft room of the Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Benoit
Secretary