

**MINUTES OF THE GRAFTON COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING**  
**March 12, 2009**

Members present: William Drago, Chair, Marcella Benoit, Secretary, Phyllis Brown, Barbara Gardner, Rev. Phil Goff, Chet Jakubiak, Winifred Paul

Members absent: William Cutler, Vice Chairman

Also present: Michelle Drumm, Senior Center Director  
Barbara Connelly, Secretary/Bookkeeper  
Roland Richard, FOGE President

Bills were signed by all members present.

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 p.m. by William Drago, Chairman.

The Secretary's Report was reviewed by members present. A motion to accept as written was made by Rev. Phil Goff, seconded by Barbara Gardner. So moved.

The Directors/Financial Report was reviewed by Barbara Connelly due to Michelle Drumm's laryngitis. Michelle Drumm, William Drago and Barbara Connelly will attend the Finance Committee Meeting on March 21, 2009. COA members were also invited to attend. A motion to accept this report as given was made by Winifred Paul, seconded by Phyllis Brown. So moved.

WRTA Meeting update given by Barbara Connelly. Michelle Drumm, Tim McInerney, and Barbara Connelly met with WRTA representatives. Pending the state budget, our level funding should remain the same. Sharing our vans with Upton was brought up by Stephen O'Neil of the WRTA. Michelle stated that at this time, Grafton was not in a position to discuss sharing with Upton and that Judy O'Connor had offered one of her vans from Millbury. Mr. O'Neil will pursue that option with Ms. O'Connor. WRTA's Pilot Program is once again being encouraged by the WRTA despite both participating towns' discontent. The problems known of this program were discussed, many were enumerated in WRTA's own minutes.

FOGE Update:

- Heating Fund has reached 60% of its goal.
- Over 200 letters have been sent concerning the membership drive. Returns are coming in quickly.
- Those that have not paid dues for 2008 will not be receiving the Senior Gazette.
- Monthly supper @ 5:15 p.m.; monthly meeting @6:30pm tonight. Next month will be the ham dinner.

A motion to acknowledge FOGE report was made by Rev. Phil Goff, seconded by Phyllis Brown. So moved.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rev. Phil Goff, seconded by Chet Jakubiak. So moved. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the craft room of the Grafton Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Benoit, Secretary