

COA Meeting Notes

May 12, 2021

Peg called the meeting to order at 10:08am. Members present: Peg Nogueira, Carol Kotros, Diane Howell, Ann Vandersluis and Director, Amy Wilson-Kent. Earl Pearlman and Jenn Talamini were absent. There were no Friends in attendance.

The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were unanimously approved. During our review of the Treasurer's report we discussed using the excess funds resulting from the Covid-19 shutdown for some of the building's needs. Amy gave a verbal Director's report: the White Water Tech who tests our water said sensor faucets can affect ability to test the water properly but can be corrected with some additional connections; also he will find out about state requirements for installing a filter system; held farewell for Friend's treasurer Ann Gonyea and met Nancy MacLeod; Beautification Committee met on April 13; Amy attended MCOA zoom training sessions; Heart To Homes Lunch was a success; weekly eggs contribution okayed by BOH; our fire detectors and emergency lights passed fire department inspection; the tree warden removed some trees that were encroaching on the ornamental flowering tree; the locks on the dumpster are there to deter illegal dumping in our receptacle which has happened in the past; the Girl Scouts planted window boxes for the railing entryway and provided cards for the Grab n'Go meals. Friends' news: they will sponsor the Fly Our Flag program; a pharmaceutical person is willing to come as a volunteer to do an outdoor program on Hypertension and Diabetes on July 20; they will donate books to the library's book fair on June 12 which is the same day as the Progressive Yard Sale.

Old Business

Food Pantry—slight decline in clients; Amy asked our opinion on having clients come in to fill their own orders; we said keep it as it is for now with seniors able to earn tax abatement credits.

Tri-Valley Grab n'Go—30 signed up for the popular hot dog lunch; a few will stay and eat outside safely distanced.

ABMI Cable—Jenn met with Tyler but is not here to report.

Volunteer Appreciation—on hold. We still have Roger Tincknell through the Cultural Council till the end of the year, but need a date.

30th Anniversary—still on hold.

Architectural/Engineering Study—Amy hasn't heard from the architect lately.

Re-opening Considerations—Amy is aiming for June to get transportation going; waiting to hear back from BOH; both drivers are willing to resume but will need CPR in-person training and online safety training; our head SHINE councilor is willing to meet clients in person but there are many considerations to take into account to make this happen.

FY22 Budget—Amy hasn't heard if the budget was approved at the ATM on Saturday.

Plumbing Repairs/Bldg Improvements—plumbing issues previously presented; painting inside walls and woodwork; spruce up deck, maybe replace floor boards, have building inspector see if entire deck is safe first.

CPR Training—Monday, May 17 at 10am for staff and 12:30pm for board members.

New Business

Program Updates—van drivers requirements previously discussed.

COA Board Terms Expiring—Peg and Ann are both willing to serve another three year term; Amy will send email to Laura St. John to which we will have to respond.

Senior of the Year—only one nomination so far; June 1 deadline.

Summer Events—July 22, Grab n'Go Cookout; August 1 tea is still a work in progress but we thought a drive-through event would be nice so they could be recognized and receive flowers.

Open Forum

No one had anything for open forum.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm. Next meeting June 9, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Vandersluis

Secretary