

**Friends of Woodbury Senior Community Center, Inc.**  
Minutes of Meeting, October 4, 2024

**In Attendance:** D. Chester, S. Coates, B. Gardella, L. Grayson, B. Lyons, F. McDougall, B. McManus, N. Mackey, S. Sherman, C. Volage **Unable to Attend:** A. Campbell, L. Kearney

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair, Fran McDougall, at 11:05.

**Minutes:** Motion by Susan to approve minutes from Sept. 6, 2024; 2nd Linda. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Nancy discussed reports during the Annual Meeting, but the budget needed approval. Motion by Bonnie to approve the budget; 2nd Claudette. Approved.

Fran thanked Claudette and Sharon for their years of service to the *Friends* organization as Chair and Co-Chair.

**Proposals by Loryn Ray for the Senior Center** (as noted in the Annual Meeting)

- Donation for special programs: Motion by Deb for *Friends* to put \$2,000 into an account for 4 special programs at the Senior Center between January–June, 2025 to be used at Loryn's discretion; 2nd Nancy. Approved.
- Donation for holiday party; Motion by Nancy to provide \$225 for the Victorian Strolling Carolers for the holiday party; 2nd Deb. Approved.

**Committee Reports**

*Membership* — Deb: reported at Annual Meeting

*Publicity* — Sharon

- Flyers for Oct. 20th concert with The Valley Chordsmen ready to be posted.
- The e-newsletter for all members was prepared by Sharon.
- Fran suggested sending a newflash (email blast) to members the day before any event we sponsor. Linda will do this with a set format.

*Concerts* (all concerts at 2:00)

- October 20: The Valley Chordsmen
- March 9, 2025: Chirignon/Hill Flute & Guitar Duo
- March 30, 2025: CTAW's "Once" cast will present Irish Pub Music

*Commission for Seniors* — Susan

- Karen Reddington-Hughes will attend commission meeting on Oct. 10 (S.C.) to discuss what's pending legislatively for seniors in Woodbury.
- The mini-van donated by *Friends* has been retired; Loryn will keep us posted on transportation needs at the Center.
- The ARPA grant that covered the AV System at the Center was put out for bid. Funds for the project were approved by the Board of Selectmen at the Sept. meeting.
- The Municipal Agent, Heather Zuckerman, continues to be busy with affordable housing concerns, energy costs, and food insecurity in Woodbury.
- The Friendly Visitor Program has 4 new volunteers and a list of people wanting visitors. Ed Cole, who started this program, is offering his time for "ask a mental health professional" 2 times a month at the Center.

**Privilege of the Floor**

- Arlene and Fran may start a monthly calendar of what's coming up to keep everyone informed.

Meeting Adjourned 11:30

Beth Lyons, Recording Secretary