COA Minutes for June 13, 2018

Present: David Dann, Susan Millinger, Linda Avis Scott. Absent, Melissa Makepeace-O'Neil and David Wheeler. Guests: Sally Fairfield, *Geezette* editor; Mary Anne Antonellis, Library Director.

Meeting called to order at 5:32 by David Dann.

Minutes of May 9, 2018 were unanimously approved.

Business:

The next issue of *Geezette***:** The issue was proofread and approved with minor changes. The Folding Party for the newsletter will be on Wed June 20 at 5:30 p.m. The issue is expected to go to the P.O. on Thurs June 21.

Discussion of the Grant: Despite our plans for spending the remaining portion of the grant, which were approved at the May meeting, it has been discovered that approximately \$1,000 remains unspent.

The Committee reviewed what had happened with spending plans since the May meeting.

- \$121.51 was spent on supplies (for *The Geezette*.)
- -\$150.00 allotted for Recreation Committee expenses was unspent.
- -The Library Director has spent the sums allotted to her in May for programming.

Additional expenditures were discussed.

The Library Director met with us to talk about her programming needs which will benefit COA's constituency. A motion was made and passed unanimously to support the following Library programs:

- -\$550 for spring yoga
- -\$200 for a museum pass to the Museum of Fine Arts Boston, which is a very generous pass permitting a number of visits for a number of people at half-price. It is good for a year from the time it is purchased.
- -up to \$150 for yoga mats

Plans for Fall Programs:

The Library Director described her plans for fall programming which are particularly applicable to COA's needs and concerns:

- -Yoga on Wednesday through November
- -Strength Training for Seniors with Kathy Sward, the times depending on Kathy's schedule
- -Therapeutic Yoga with Kathy Sward, ditto
- -Line Dancing: 6 weeks in the fall and 6 more in the spring.

The Committee discussed the idea of asking Kathy Sward if she could give an introductory presentation (aimed at people not currently attending her programs) providing information for people who wanted to design their own personal exercise programs. The presentation would be held in the daytime.

The Committee would like to know if the Recreation Committee is planning programs of interest to seniors in Shutesbury.

Other Business:

COA Member Melissa Makepeace O'Neill has been asked if she would be able to attend more often if the COA met on a different day. COA misses her contribution.

David Dann drafted a letter requesting that the Select Board dissolve the Aging in Place Task Force, since now that Village Neighbors is an official organization, the work of the Task Force is completed. The Committee unanimously approved the letter.

Due to a Select Board meeting this evening at 7 p.m. in this room, and with one of COA's members serving as Select Board clerk, Updates of COA programs were omitted.

Next Meeting: July 11th, 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned, 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Millinger, secretary