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Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Minutes January 20, 2005

Present: Donna Mattison, Christine Taylor, Nancy Stilwell, Kathy Bagley, Janet Klett, Betty Smith, Estelle Knurek.

Janet Klett called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm. [Minutes from the last meeting](#) were accepted with the following corrections: The date of the November meeting was November 18, 2005 and there was a typo that should read statute not statue.

Old Business: The committee reviewed the recommendations that were made at the last meeting to use the funds donated in memory of William Mislick. Jane Ross moved that the \$475 would be spent by purchasing a steel cart and three serving trays. All items will be engraved with a statement indicating that they are in memory of Mr. Mislick. The motion was seconded by Kathy Bagley and agreed upon by all.

A discussion then centered on using any remaining budget to fund a flyer/brochure, which communicates the town's friendly visitor program. In addition, the committee was asked to consider sponsoring a volunteer recognition program that would highlight volunteer opportunities. Attendees would be volunteers who would be recognized and they would ask to bring a friend to learn more about what is offered. Janet Klett will report back to the committee how much of our budget will be available for these programs after we complete our Rare Reminder advertising commitments. A motion was made by Donna Mattison that we dispense from advertising in July and August since they are the least busy months. The motion was seconded by Christine Taylor and unanimously passed.

Christine Taylor suggested that we should provide input as to our committee's role to the Strategic Planning Committee. After discussion, the following goal was crafted: The town should continue to provide the appropriate services and resources that contribute to independent living and enrich lives for seniors. Janet Klett will express the committee's goal to the town manager's office.

New Business: Goals for 2005 were discussed and the committee will vote on the following next meeting:

1. Provide oversight and advocacy to the services and resources that contribute to independent living and enrich lives for seniors.
2. Utilize various means of advertising to promote the actions and advocacy role of the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, including Channel 14, and Town Council meetings as needed.
3. Oversee and encourage utilization of the collaborative senior resources available through other towns.
4. Continue to provide support to Senior Center Coordinator in order to promote the Senior Center Program Activities.
5. Continue to identify and promote potential multigenerational volunteer opportunities.

Individuals Committee reports were given:

Elderly Services - Christine Taylor reported on several initiatives including AARP grants for Dial-a-Ride, Together Prescription Drug Access, Pre screening for Aortic Aneurysm, senior substance abuse program and others.

People with Disabilities - Nancy Stillwell reported that she attended a meeting recently and she was working hard to correct problems with Dial - a Ride for Therapeutic Recreation trips. Otherwise, the system is working well. She also commented on her efforts to formalize a relationship with probate so that conservators can be appointed for those who need them. She will keep the committee informed.

Senior Center - Donna Mattison spoke about a Web based educational program that AARP was sponsoring regarding credit strategies.

Mary Pezlo was fondly remembered.

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 pm

Respectfully submitted, Janet Klett