

Approved Minutes of Age Friendly Committee Meeting October 12, 2022

Present: Steve DeAngelis, Ed Dodge, Eric Johnson, Elaine Katz

Regrets: Maggie Edmondson, Marianne Perry

Minutes of September 14, 2022 were Approved

Follow-ups:

1. Event Planning for November 1 Theater Event 3 pm in Giles Hall

Flyers have been distributed. Ed suggested that we see if this will be publicized on Channel 7 – Elaine will ask Eric.

Melissa has requested assistance for set up at 2 pm. Both Steve and Eric volunteered to help with this.

Marianne and Maggie have offered to bring cookies/bars.

Melissa will provide cider.

2. AFC presence at November 8 election

Everyone agreed this would be another opportunity to promote our current Handy Helper program and also to assess interest in future programs such as Senior Café and Readfield U.

Eric volunteered to cover the table from 8 – 2 pm.

Ed will check his schedule.

Elaine will ask Kristen to bring the table and covering.

We need to bring the current Handy Helper flyers as we will not have updated ones yet and also sign up sheets for potential volunteers.

3. Smoke detector distribution program – a detailed discussion ensued regarding how installation could be provided. The suggestion was made to look at our current Handy Helper List to see

if we can reach out to electricians/carpenters who would be qualified to perform installation before offering this program. Also included in the discussion is the

importance of offering carbon monoxide detectors and propane detectors. This is a project that requires more discussion.

4. Senior Café – Steve spoke with Rick Sirois, Middle School Principal. He expresses enthusiasm for restarting this program. This week he will be bringing this concept to the Middle School Leadership Committee and students to assess the level of interest. Principal Sirois also suggested that AFC members participate in this program to stimulate more interaction between students and community members perhaps in the

formal of doing 5 minute story times. Steve and Eric will be communicating with Rick to see how we can move forward with this project. If possible, it would be great to be able to publicize this at the AFC Election Table.

5. Technology Assistance Program at the Library – this is already in progress. We are still hoping to find a Tech Helper that we can add to our Handy Helper List of volunteers.

6. Comprehensive Planning Committee did not meet in September so there are no updates/

7. No news from NDN program

8. No final word on cabinet space – will follow up with Kristin

New Business:

Marianne will invite Jim Tukey to our November meeting to update the AFC on the progress on the Vestry and Meeting House.

Meeting Adjourned 9:50

Next meeting: November 9

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine