

Minutes March 23, 2018  
Age Friendly Committee

Present: Ann Mitchell, Marianne Perry, Romaine Turyn, Donna McGibney, Robin Lint  
Excused: Marjorie Ellis, Maggie Edmondson

The meeting was called to order at 9:07.

An update was provided on Marjorie's recovery. She is home now recuperating.

There was discussion about who has responsibility for the sidewalk in front of the Post Office. The State MDOT built the upper sidewalk. The lower curbing the State does not plow. It is and will remain a problem which is a safety issue. Donna volunteered to draft a letter to the MDOT.

The February minutes were approved as amended.

Debbie Peale, the Chairperson of the Readfield Community Library was present. There is a new Librarian and they are trying to make the building the best that it can be. They are exploring the possibility of opening up the upstairs.  
Her primary purpose in attending was to discuss their plans for displaying an Adaptive Tool Kit. They have not made any decisions. They have decided not to lend out the tools. After a thorough discussion of all ideas, the Age Friendly Committee and Debbie Peale decided that we should explore with Bethel the option of borrowing their kit up to two times a year. The Tool Kit could be displayed at the Library for several weeks and at the Town Office again. The next time targeted is Family Fun day in August. Romaine offered to check with the contacts in Bethel to see if this is feasible. Several members of the Committee and Debbie offered that they would drive to pick it up and return it.

The Committee reviewed the Handy Helpers requests. All were appropriate and completed. Everyone over 50 received a mailing with the brochure. Hopefully more requests will come in.

Sand Bucket requests were also reviewed.

Romaine will drop off brochures at the Big White Barn; Robin will drop them at the Winthrop Health Center.

Ann and Romaine gave a summary of the first Transportation Meeting in Winthrop. The President of the Neighbor Driving Neighbor Program in Mount Vernon gave a presentation, similar to the one they gave to our Committee. A second meeting will be held in May.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Romaine Turyn

