

Minutes
Age Friendly Committee Meeting
Wednesday February 12, 2020

Present: Donna McGibney, Ed Dodge. Marianne Perry, Ann Mitchell, Romaine Turyn

Excused: Maggie Edmonson

The meeting was called to order at 9:06. The minutes from the January meeting were approved.

Announcements

Marianne discussed the grant applications being submitted by the Union Meeting House to repair the vestry. The intent is to make it a center for the arts, social justice meetings and be a center for the community. The Age Friendly Committee may be asked for a letter of support. All agreed and Romaine should be the contact person.

Marianne also suggested that as part of the Bicentennial activities, the Age Friendly Committee plant a Pin Oak or Maple Sugar Tree. All Committee members agreed that this would make a lasting contribution to the town.

Readfield U

The kick off to Readfield U is getting close. Publicity has been sent to the KJ, Advertiser and the Belgrade Lakes Regional paper. Most people are registering through the website. Members agreed to distribute flyers to the Cohen Center, Kents Hill PO, Town Office in Fayette and church newsletters. Maggie and her husband have been distributing flyers in Monmouth and other places as they drive.

Romaine provided an update on the Bicentennial Dinner. She is coordinating closing with the Readfield Historical Society and with Melissa Small, who is the liaison to the Library Board and has a connection to Kents Hill School.

Donna provided an update on the ReadfieldU Celebration dinner to be held at Maranacook Community School. There have been some challenges as a result of the untimely death of the Cafeteria Director, but she has worked through them. This will be a true potluck.

Wabanaki REACH – Maggie was not available to provide the update. The Program requires a minimum number of persons to attend and has a cap as well. We still have a need for more participants to reach the minimum. Romaine volunteered to contact a social studies teacher and ask assistance distributing the flyer to students at the high school.

Post Office Sidewalk Update

There is not much to update and to our knowledge nothing is currently being done. The Bicycle Coalition of Maine does do site visits to vision how an area could be more pedestrian and bike friendly. **(We need to have a follow up discussion about this)**

The meeting adjourned at 11:21.