

Minutes
Age Friendly Committee Meeting
September 18. 2019

Present: Ed Dodge, Maggie Edmondson, Ann Mitchell, Marianne Perry, Romaine Turyn

Excused: Donna McGibney

Guests: Betty Petersen, Jan Tarbuck, Board Members, Readfield Community Library

The meeting was called to order at 9:04

Readfield U

Betty Petersen and Jan Tarbuck were welcomed to the meeting. They were in attendance to participate in the discussion and planning for Readfield U. Maggie provided a quick overview again and discussed tentative plans for the Community Meeting on September 26th at the Masonic Lodge. The Library Board remains interested and wants to participate in the planning

The Committee brainstormed additional topics that could be held at Readfield U. Marianne offered to take care of signage announcing the meeting on the Union Meeting House Kiosk.

Updates

Maggie represented the Age Friendly Committee at the roll out of Readfield's Community Heart and Soul meeting. It was an impressive group of people representing a wide range of people, and community activities, including the public schools and Kents Hill School. This initiative aligns with the mission of the Age Friendly Committee and Readfield U. We will continue to participate.

Ann Mitchell attended the Greater Winthrop Transportation meeting. She reported that Lynn Kidd from SEARCH attended the meeting and that she is now working full time. Flyers announcing the transportation service were available at the Winthrop Art Festival and SEARCH has added volunteers and program participants. Between Patricia Oh, AARP, Romaine and Ann Carter in Winthrop, we were able to assist the Maine Community Foundation search for transportation resources for someone in Winslow. Ann Mitchell will no longer be able to serve as a liaison to that group. Romaine will continue to attend as available. Ann was thanked for her participation.

Handy Helper Brochure

No one came prepared to offer edits to the Handy Helper brochure. Since time was short, this item was delayed until the next meeting.

Other

Smoke Alarm Installation was discussed. Last year was so successful, members wanted to make it an annual event. Members confirmed their interest and tentatively selected the first weekend in November to devote to this effort. Romaine will contact the Red Cross to see if they are available the first weekend of November. Reminders were made of upcoming meetings and conferences - The annual Wisdom Summit and the Quarterly AARP Regional Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15.