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# Swampscott Senior Center

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

## SWAMPSCOTT SENIOR CENTER

### COUNCIL ON AGING

#### February 9, 2016

Present: Marilyn Cassidy, Chairman; Marilyn Hurwitz, Senior Center Director; Susan Pierce; Asst. Director: Judee Cyr; Bill Hyde; Ruth Iarrabino; Alice Griffin; Norma Freedman; Mary Cobbett; Felice Litman.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 am on February 9, 2016. The minutes of the January meeting were read and accepted.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Marilyn Hurwitz informed the Board of a 1% raise across the board for staff of the Center.

Mens' Club is still looking for younger senior men to join.

The fuel assistance meeting experienced low attendance. It is thought that seniors are unaware that they may be eligible for more than fuel.

Penpal program progressing.

A meeting was held regarding tax abatements for Center volunteers. About 25 attended.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The mens' breakfast on May 16 will have Rep. Lori Erlich as a speaker. Invitation has been sent.

There will be no St. Patrick day party this year. Cake will be served.

The Mens' Club would like to ask Gov. Baker to speak on Veteran's Day.

Selectman. Matt Strauss, attended the February meeting. He informed the Board that the official number of members on the Board should be nine...not seven.

He would like to run for selectman again.

Informed Board of RFP regarding the Machon School. Possibly turning it into senior housing of affordable housing.

A bid was sent out regarding the old senior center. Plans are that the building will be renovated at owner's expense and used as an artist center.

Atlantic Ambulance was awarded a contract in order to use the old police station.

A plan is needed regarding evacuating the Center in case of an emergency.

Operating Agreement Status: Tom Younger informed Marilyn Hurwitz that he may not be able to attend meetings at Senior Center because he is busy. It is thought that the Town Manager and the Superintendant of Schools should be making decisions.

The Friends will donate boxes of chocolate to all who attend the Valentine party on February 13.

The regular lunch attendees asked if the bus could make an hour shopping trip to Vinnin Square after lunch.

The next meeting will be held on March 8 at 8:30 am.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Felice Litman

Secretary