

MINUTES

AGING IN PLACE IN UNION COMMITTEE MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021 ONLINE 1:00 p.m.

Zoom meeting hosted by Lorain Francis.

Present: Lorain Francis, Anita Brown, Bill Lombardi, Bob and Dorothy Williams, Marcy Corwin, Katie Tarbox, Erik Durbas and guest, and Vose Librarian Debra Lay.

1. Chairman Lorain Francis opened the meeting at 1:00 PM.
2. Katie requested to be removed as an active member of UAP. She will continue as a resource for us to access community supports.
3. Lorain explained she would like to step down as chairman, but she could continue to provide the zoom link. Lorain is involved in Come Spring food pantry being under contract to move to a new building if approval happens. (No one volunteered.)
4. Welcome was extended to Debra Lay. Debra asked us to visit the library website and make suggestions to her at librarian@voselibrary.org. The library has a \$3,000 grant to improve the website. March 10th at 6 -7 pm a zoom session will be looking at input of the strengths and weaknesses of the existing website. (Sign up has to be done in advance.) Debra invites us to attend.
5. Bob motioned for the February 1, 2021 minutes to be approved as written. This was seconded by Katie. All voted in favor.
6. We discussed plans for our March 18th take-out luncheon. (It was noted the RSVP date was changed to March 4th after our meeting as the town office is not open on Friday.) Erik has used the March 4th RSVP date in all news releases. Anita agreed to contact the town office March 4th and get the number of reservations and then give this number to Katie for the MCH meals. Katie will purchase divided take-out containers and water for the luncheon and submit for reimbursement. We will stuff a bag of information resources to go out with the lunches. Anita will ask Stacey about including our Resource Guide which would require having copies of it.
7. Erik reported on his conversation with Jesse about the “good morning Union” caller program that was started over a year ago. Due to complications with the calls and Covid demands, they are not doing it at this time. The state now requires all town EMS

departments have a medical director on staff. This is to transition to a para-medicine approach to how EMS would function. Due to the amount of training and certification required to assist, members of our committee could not perform home safety checklists we spoke about. We could only do a “friendly caller” support which is not medically liable.

8. Erik also spoke with Dan Beardsley about Mason support for minor home improvements. They have done some ramps and are open to providing home improvements, but they do not have any way to advertise. Katie suggested getting in touch with Tim Dresser who is trained in this. Also, Habitat for Humanity. There are training issues regarding this due to liability.
9. We are each requested to turn in the form to Jay after completing the FOAA training.
10. We were all reminded to show up at 10:30 am on March 18th to help with bagging our take-out luncheon and information bags.

Our next zoom meeting is, **Monday, April 5, 2021 at 1PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Brown
Secretary