

## **MINUTES**

### **AGING IN PLACE IN UNION COMMITTEE**

**Monday, September 9, 2019**

**William Pullen Building Meeting Room**

**1:00 p.m.**

Present: Wanda Gamage-Wyman, Katie Tarbox, Martha and Clark Hooper, Lorain Francis, Jay Feyler, Bob and Dot Williams, Carol Watier and Anita Brown. Wanda Gamage-Wyman and Lorain Francis co-chaired the meeting.

1. Welcome to the committee by Wanda.
2. Minutes of the August 5, 2019 meeting were approved by Martha Hooper and seconded by Clark Hooper and unanimously approved.
3. Wanda informed us of a Free Women's Smoking Cessation class put on by the Knox County Community Health Coalition on November 5, 12, 19, 26 with registration at 236-6313, ext.3.
4. Followup on senior "barbeque" luncheon held August 29; that it was enjoyed and mostly repeat attendees but some new ones also. Wanda reported that ambulance chief Jesse Thompson had told her he would be there but cancelled late, and he did not inform the EMTs who brought the ambulance to be viewed, of anything about expectations for speaking of the EMT services. Jim Murphy filled in about the 911 numbers and the Yellow Dot program. He could not be heard in the back of the room. We need to insist on use of the microphones in the future. Jay told us there are also individual hearing devices to the room speaker system.
5. Katie reported Knox County Triad has File of Life packets with red stickers for home doors, for ambulance attendees to know the individual has medical information posted. Katie will bring sample File of Life packets and prices to our next meeting.
6. Katie also reported the state funding of the community paramedicine services that Jesse Thompson told us about is now going forward. Union town office has not been informed of this from the state.
7. Lorain reported on her recent attendance at a Waldo County training on emergency preparedness and the role of food pantries. Lorain had concern for people on oxygen in

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their homes when the power goes out. Jay said our ambulance/fire has a list of persons in town on oxygen, and they do checks during extended power outages.

8. More discussion about luncheon and the beautiful flower bouquets donated from Swell Farm Maine on Old County Road. Katie will get an address for a thank you to them.
9. Idea to do a holiday bingo game for our next senior get-together.
10. UAP membership list needs to be updated to include only currently sworn in members. Billy and Holly Lombardi will be “email only” as they will volunteer to help as they did with this last luncheon.
11. A media subcommittee will meet to go over information for the town web page to be later updated by Stacey, so the information is correct and consistent. Lorain will do a Facebook page for UAP after this subcommittee has the information ready. Decided subcommittee will meet **Wednesday, September 25 at 2:00 p.m.** Carol will help with Facebook, Martha and Clark, Bob and Dot will look at the information with Wanda and Lorain.
12. Wanda read an email from Amanda Lorentzen forwarded to her from Jay. It regarded an offer for local high school age boys who are with a soccer program called 7 Tree FC who are seeking opportunities to volunteer. Wanda will invite Amanda to come to our next meeting to explain this interest.
13. Carol Watier told us that she is leading a monthly “game time” at the Vose Library for people to come together to play games.
14. Our next **regular meeting will be Monday, October 7 at 1:00 p.m.** downstairs at the town office.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Brown  
Secretary