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MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2010
6:00 PM
COUNCIL ON AGING

Attendees: Cindy Nicholson, Ed Daniels, Lu St. Aubin, Marty Haspel, Krystal Boyd, Judy Sendak, Kathy Herrick, Noelle Smith, Katrina Boucher, Jean Hliva plus one member and one non-member.

Welcome

Cindy Nicholson welcomed all and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

Cindy made a motion to approve the minutes from October, 2009 and November, 2009. The motion was seconded by Ed and approved unanimously.

Lost Dog Committee

Katrina informed all that so far the protocol is for the police department to contact EDOA to initiate notification of the membership. She added that they would like to put anyone who may be able to help locate lost dogs on the contact list. The committee will develop a protocol and update the board at upcoming meetings.

Membership Committee

Ed noted that he mailed postcards out to members from 2008 and 2009 that have not renewed their membership and got about 10 responses. Cindy suggested a drive at the post office, Noelle suggested placing news snippets in the paper for publicity, Ed reminded everyone to give out business cards and Krystal suggested placing various informational flyers around town. Noelle also suggested becoming a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Ed made a motion to approve the \$50 fee due to the website company for the year. The motion was seconded by Cindy and approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Lu went over the balance sheet and profit and loss statement from January 1 through February 17. Lu made a motion to accept the report as presented. The motion was seconded by Jean and approved unanimously.

Dyer Prince Update

Ed informed all that the Board of Selectmen made it clear they were not interested in getting in the middle of a battle between two groups of citizens. He added that if the submitted article does not pass then practice will revert back to the old law. Cindy noted that we are trying to work with the Town and

not against them. Noelle added that someone will need to be paid to monitor the area. Ed answered that there will be launch fees at Rock Harbor which could help pay for it.

Ed noted that the abutters group did support the idea of a dog park. Cindy also added that it was suggested that animals be allowed off leash but under voice command if approved by the animal control office on a case by case basis. Cindy suggested an emergency meeting with the membership which will take place March 2, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council on Aging.

501 (c) (3) Status

It was decided that the group will continue to move forward with the application for 501 (c) (3) non-profit status.

Chamber of Commerce Eastham Guidebook Advertisement

Cindy noted that the bill for the ad will be coming from the chamber.

Email Voting

The change to the by-law would allow for attendance of a meeting by phone or voting by email on critical matters. The wording in the by-law will be drafted and distributed for a vote at the next meeting.

Liability Insurance

Marty expressed concern over some of the member to member language being defamatory. Noelle suggested getting it expressing concern over being held fiscally responsible. Lu added that club activities are covered under the policy.

2010 Venues

Katrina will be having her yard sale on June 19 and suggested EDOA have a table.

Emergency Shelter

There will be a simulation March 27 at the high school. Katrina noted that is the same day the Easter Bunny will be at the Cape Cod Dog.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krystal M. Boyd
Secretary