MINUTES

February 11, 2015 Council on Aging Triad and SALT Council 230 Webster St. Marshfield, Ma 02050

ATTENDANCE: Christina Fitzgerald, Nancy Goodwin, Carol Hamilton, Becky Lee, Kevin Robinson, and Kerry Yetman.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 12:35 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the January 14, 2015 were approved. Motion made by Nancy and seconded by Becky. Motion passes.

DISCUSSION: The remainder of the schedule is: February 11 –Emergency Preparedness w/ Paul Taber, March 11 – Scams w/Liisa Budget Johnson, April 8 – Ombudsman Program w/ Lila Burgess. The health fair will take place on a Wednesday this year on May 13th, it was previously held on Tuesday. The Duxbury COA has been made aware of this so as not to conflict.

The COA in Coordination with the NVNA will be starting a 5 week Diabetic Education Series on March 2nd. We have 5 people that are signed up but we need a couple more. The Aging Mastery a wellness education program will begin on March 12th. We need 14 more participants for this program.

Kevin talks about the concern for fire hydrants being buried in the snow. The fire department is trying to dig out as many as possible. There are between 1300-1400 hydrants in the town. Perhaps able bodied residents could assist in the effort to dig out the hydrants. Most of the streets are marked indicating where the hydrants are located. Another concern is that some residents were unable to get their fuel delivery due to the fill tanks being covered up. Some elderly residents were unable to shovel their fill tanks out and had to get help. Dryer vents are another concern in that they become covered up with all of the heavy snow. Gas lines have also been hit with the icicles and caused gas leaks. Carbon monoxide detectors are essential in these circumstances. The severe weather has put a strain on residents and on town resources dealing with the weather related emergencies.

The Visiting Angels and Plymouth Philharmonic will be conducting a fundraiser for 5 local COA's on April 11th at the Indian Pond Country Club. People can help through sponsorship, silent auction articles and buying a ticket for the event. Each COA has to sell 10 tickets.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for March 11th 2015 for SALT at 12:30 and for Triad at 1:00. The topic will be about Scams and Fraud.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:0 PM and the SALT Council joined the Triad Group for a presentation by Emergency Management Director, Paul Taber.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Hamilton, Director Council on Aging