

MINUTES
SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

July 1, 2010

ROLL CALL

Present: Andy Kehr, Chairman Kelly Mosher
 Jeanne Duntz Judy Walsh
 Richard Franklin

Also Present: Nick LaCourte, Red Hook Commons resident; Sheila Franklin, Secretary
Absent: Betty Bader, Carl Dowden, Jennifer Fivelsdal, Rose Rider

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Andy Kehr called the meeting to order at 9:21 A.M. and handed out copies of his last report to the Town Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, JUNE 3, 2010 MEETING

As there were no changes or other modifications to the Minutes, Kelly made a motion to accept them as written. The motion was seconded by Judy and all were in favor.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Sheila handed out hard copies of the emergency preparedness document which had been completed in the brochure format. The information had been e-mailed to the members prior to the meeting. Andy thanked her and Dick for their hard work in amassing and formatting this information. He asked if anyone had any changes to suggest. Judy asked if the call numbers of the radio stations could be included. Dick said that this would not be a problem. Kelly felt that the document was clear, concise and user friendly. Andy said that Carl had contacted him with one suggestion. He wanted the document to include the fact that the High School is the Red Cross designated emergency shelter because it has a generator. Sheila said that she could add this on page 3 (which is the first page of text in the document).

Nick asked how many copies will be made. Andy replied that the Committee had decided on making 300 copies. In regard to making copies for Red Hook Commons, Micki suggested that a master copy could be provided to the facility.

Andy said that his plan is to bring a master copy to Copy Cat and get a quote for 300 stapled copies. As there will be no meeting in August, he will e-mail the estimate to the Committee members to obtain their approval. Once the copies are made, they can be left with Sue McCann. Assignments for distribution can be made now and the members can pick up their copies from Sue. Nick offered to distribute copies at Red Hook Commons. There are four buildings with 24 residents in each building. It was felt that 50 copies would suffice.

Sheila asked if the Committee wanted to have a colored first page, as had previously been suggested. Dick felt that this was not a good idea because if the first page is

colored that will mean that the last page will also be colored. Andy said that the picture which Dick had placed on the cover of the pamphlet was better than having a colored first page. He felt that the picture draws the reader in and color is not necessary. Kelly said that it would just add to the cost.

Dick felt that there would be a significant call for the brochure. He said that if we still have Welcome Wagon, we might be able to get sponsors to print the brochure and circulate it through Welcome Wagon. There was discussion regarding the possibility of insurance companies or small businesses sponsoring the publication of the document. Judy felt that businesses should not be approached selectively. She also thought that if they were to become sponsors, they would want their names to appear on the brochure. Sheila said that the back page is blank.

Kelly suggested simplifying the process of getting the brochure to the public by eliminating e-mailing the members for approval of the estimate. She made a motion to approve printing of 300 copies as long as the cost does not exceed \$200. The motion was seconded by Judy and all were in favor.

During the ensuing discussion, the following assignments were made:

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| Judy | 30 copies | Key Bank, Ulster Savings Bank, Credit Union, Trustco |
| Sheila | 45 copies | Contact Susan Ezrati re getting the document on the village website, distribute to Town Hall, Village Hall and Tivoli Town Hall |
| Andy | 20 copies | Nekos, Northern Dutchess Hospital, Rhinebeck Savings Bank, Office of the school Superintendent |
| Nick | 50 copies | Red Hook Commons |
| Rose | 15 copies | AARP |
| Jeanne | 40 copies | Seniors, exercise groups, St. John's, St. Christopher's
(It was suggested that the churches could put up a copy and keep a copy in their offices which could be duplicated.) |
| Dick | 15 copies | Libraries, Fire Department. Talk to Fire Department about the possibility of doing some printing and handing out copies at Hardscrabble Day. |
| Kelly | 5 copies | Red Hook schools |
| Micki | Master copy | Bard College, contact Barrytown Gazette about possibility of publicizing the document |

The above list totals 250 copies, leaving an additional 50 copies. Andy suggested that as members visit their doctors, they ask if a copy can be left in the waiting room or posted. Sheila will make the corrections suggested and leave a master copy for Andy with Sue McCann. She will also provide Micki with a master copy.

SENIOR PROGRAMMING AT THE RECREATION PARK

Micki did not have any current information, but said that she would take pictures at the next Walk Program.

PANDA

Andy said that the meeting with Cathy O'Connor and Nina Lynch had to be cancelled due to scheduling problems. He said that Cathy's schedule makes it difficult for her to come to meetings. Therefore Andy suggested that a sub-committee be created consisting of himself, Dick and Nick with the intent of trying to get the emergency preparedness document on PANDA via an interview with Dick. The sub-committee would probably meet in the early evening. Andy will call Cathy and try to make arrangements.

OPENING FOR NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER

Andy asked Nick to write a letter to Sue McCann indicating that he is interested in becoming a member of the Committee. He said that he mentioned Nick's interest at the last Town Board meeting.

FALL 2010 PROJECTS

Andy said that the food drives had been mentioned, as well as having presenters with topics of relevance to seniors. He asked the members of the Committee to e-mail him with further ideas.

Micki said that the police will be collecting expired medications and taking them to Dutchess Resource Recovery. This will be ongoing. Andy asked Micki to send the schedule to Sheila for posting on the website.

HARDSCRABBLE DAY, SEPT. 25, 2010

Andy suggested that if the Committee had a table, both the emergency preparedness document and the Newsletter could be handed out. The group was in favor. Micki will ask if there could be a specific area for the Town. Sheila asked about making copies of the Newsletter and Andy said that this could be decided at the September meeting.

EMERGENCY DRILL AT RED HOOK COMMONS

Micki said that Dep. Mayor Ed Blundell has been transitioning and it has been difficult to arrange a meeting. It was tentatively agreed to arrange a meeting on July 15th at 9:15 A.M. at Building 15, Red Hook Commons to include Andy, Micki, Ed Blundell and Nick. Later, management, Chief Truitt and Pete Coons, Fire Chief could be included.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Sept. 2, 2010 at 9:15 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Dick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Andy and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Minutes submitted by Sheila Franklin
Secretary, Senior Services Committee