**Wayne Aging at Home**

Committee Meeting Minutes March 7, 2023

Location: AAH Center - Wayne Community Church

**Members present:**

Pam Chenea, Stan Davis, Jane Davis, Stephanie Merrill, Patricia Ender

**Program Suggestions:**

A community member suggested that we sponsor an informational program about residential solar energy. One possibility is Nautilus, a company that works with numerous solar farms, which could present a program and then offer to sign people up. Other sources of information and a possible program are Efficiency Maine and the Maine Office of the Public Advocate. It was agreed that a program on residential solar is a good idea, and that information on a variety of ways to lower energy bills should be part of our offerings. Stan and Pam will do further research on this.

Another suggestion, for a “take it or leave it table”, was decided against.

**Strawberry Festival – July 8**

Ideas were floated regarding AAH’s presence at the Festival. It was decided to continue offering reflective house/mailbox numbers and a Tai Chi demonstration, and to consider offering night lights and bright light bulbs.

**Activities:**

* The second musical afternoon, featuring “The Court Jesters”, drew a large crowd of 31. The third event in the series will be on Saturday, March 18.
* The first senior luncheon, after a hiatus of several years, drew a small group of 10. When word gets out more widely the numbers should grow. Discussion was held on whether pizza is the best offering. Pam will talk with Julie about other possibilities, and their cost. The next luncheon will be on March 22nd, the fourth Wednesday of the month.
* The Valentine Tea, held with the church, drew 29 attendees.
* Randy Knee came for a second time to talk about antiques, both hers and items brought by attendees. Eleven people came.
* Other AAH Center activities continue weekly: Tai Chi, bridge, cribbage, and social time.

**Performance Review:**

As part of an effort to conduct more regular performance reviews throughout town government, the town manager is requesting that the AAH committee conduct a performance review for Pam. Pam and Stan will work together on what it should cover.

**Budget:**

Pam presented a draft budget for 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024:

* Personnel/AAH coordinator 12 hrs./week: this includes

an 8% raise proposed for all town employees and is paid by the town 14,632.80

* Elder luncheons 1,125.00
* Envelopes, copy paper, stamps 250.00
* Speakers, stipends 100.00

Total $16,107.80

All expenses, except for the coordinator’s salary, are funded through donations.

**Treasurer Position:**

Pam would like help keeping track of income and expenses, so that we always and easily have an accurate picture of where we are financially. This would require that someone keep records of our own, instead of having to ask at the town office for updates to our account. Ideas were floated about people to ask, and methods of reaching out.

**Art Exhibits:**

Jane has mentioned to Pam the idea of having occasional art exhibits at the AAH Center. Jane is gathering information about different gallery picture-hanging systems, and will share what she has learned at the next meeting.

**Next meeting:**

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Davis, Secretary