**Wayne Aging at Home**

Committee Meeting Minutes May 5, 2023

Location: AAH Center - Wayne Community Church

**Members present:**

Pam Chenea, Stan Davis, Jane Davis, Stephanie Merrill, Patricia Ender, Deborah Emery, Lynette Stinneford.

**Attendance:**

Deborah shared the attendance numbers she has compiled so far. It was decided to gather attendance records beginning in July of 2022, when the AAH Center opened. From now on, we will gather records from July 1 to June 30 of each year, to correspond with the town’s fiscal year. Deborah will continue to separate attendance records by specific activity when she is able.

**Signs:**

Pam has purchased laminated signs featuring the AAH name and logo, to place around town and to use at public events.

**Safety:**

Discussion was held about how to insure the safety of Pam and visitors to the AAH center in various situations, including a visitor who causes people to feel uneasy. Pam will talk with pastor Angela and Janet at the library, to see what their thoughts are, and what safety plan, if any, they have for the church and library. It was suggested that Pam call the AAH committee members as a group any time she wants another presence in the building. We might decide on particular wording to be used in such a case. It was also suggested that other community members who live nearby might be appropriate to call for backup.

**Ladd Family Foundation Grant:**

Pam has applied for a grant to help pay for luncheons and snacks.

**Strawberry Festival – July 8:**

Stan reported that no one has asked for help obtaining night lights or brighter bulbs after he sent out an email message. We could promote the idea of insuring that people have sufficient lighting in their homes, and provide information about the topic. We could also offer free reflective house/mailbox numbers and the “file of life” as we did last year. Stan will compile an informational flyer of available services for elders in our area that we can also hand out at the festival and is asking all committee members to send him information to include.

**First Aid:**

The AAH Center should have a first aid kit. Pam will order one. We will also explore getting a defibrillator.

**Day Care:**

Pam has heard that someone might be interested in opening a day care, sharing the AAH space. The church won’t know for a while.

**Speakers on the topic of fraud and scams:**

AARP will provide a speaker. Pam will pursue this. We’ll serve light refreshments, and ask for permission to record the session or ask for information about similar video presentations already available on youtube.

**Art Exhibits:**

Jane shared more information about the installation of commercial molding designed to create a system for hanging art work, so that we could have art shows. A very rough estimate of the cost is $400 for the molding and hanging hardware, plus the cost of installation. When we get an OK from the church, Jane will look for a local carpenter to give advice on the project, and install the molding. We could solicit donations to cover some of the cost.

**Next meeting:**

Monday, June 26, 2023 at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Davis, Secretary