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**SENIOR CITIZENS BOARD**

Thursday, October 22, 2009

1:30 PM, Durham Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM by Chairman Lainy Melvin at the Town Hall Meeting Room.

**Roll Call:** Members present: Henry Coe, Stuart Keating, Lainy Melvin and Beverly Pedersen and Karin Thody. Staff present: Trish Dynia and Jan Muraca. Members absent: Becky Anderson, Anne Cassady, Howard Kelley, John Hogarth and Hank Robinson.

**Approval of Agenda:** *A motion was made by Henry Coe, seconded by Stu Keating, to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Approval of Minutes:** Trish Dynia reported that due to the lack of a quorum for several months there is a backlog of un-approved minutes. Chairman Melvin asked that she mail copies of all un-approved minutes to members so they can be reviewed prior to the next meeting.

**Welcome New Member:** Lainy Melvin welcomed Karin Thody to the Board.

**Human Services Director:** Jan Muraca reported that the seasonal flu clinic had been cancelled due to a shortage of the vaccine. Priority has been given to developing the H1N1 vaccine which takes longer to produce. Area businesses such as Target and Walgreens have received smaller than expected shipments of the seasonal vaccine and the Visiting Nurse Association is advising people to keep an eye on advertisements and get the vaccine wherever they can.

Thanksgiving basket distribution will take place on Friday, November 20, 2009 in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Townspeople are encouraged to drop off grocery store, gasoline, and department store gift cards, as well as paper goods, fresh vegetables and frozen turkeys (all sizes) by 9 AM that morning. Details will be printed in the Town Times and local church bulletins.

Jan Muraca is looking into the possibility of offering the very popular foot clinics again. She hopes to have more information by the November meeting.

**Recreation Director:** Sherry Hill was not able to attend the meeting. Chairman Melvin reported that the art classes were full and no one objected to the need to raise fees. Future class fliers will stress that this is a beginner to intermediate class because several students felt the need to drop out because they were too advanced.

**Old Business – SAVE Program:** Board Members reviewed the Senior Volunteer Tax Relief Ordinance and general program information distributed by Jan Muraca at the September meeting. After a brief discussion, members determined that the program appeared to be costly and likely to create its own bureaucracy, including the creation of a full time position to coordinate the program and keep track of volunteer hours. The membership decided to put the program on the back burner for now and possibly revisit it at a later date with an eye toward a smaller scope plan.

**New Business – Wii Purchase:** Stu Keating distributed price lists from Target and Best Buy. The two companies' prices are comparable and a complete system would cost approximately \$2,200. Henry Coe has been in contact with a local service organization that is willing to work with the Senior Board on this project. However, financing the project will take some time.

**Adjournment:** *A motion was made by Bev Pedersen, seconded by Stu Keating, to adjourn the meeting at 2:21 PM. The motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Dynia  
Recording Secretary

cc: Town Clerk, Recreation Director, Human Services Director, Committee Members.