

Council on Aging (COA) Meeting
October 12, 2010

The regularly scheduled meeting of the COA was called to order at 3:40 pm in the COA room at the Town Hall. Members present were Linda Stacy, acting-Chairperson, Jann Grutchfield, Oliver Mutch, Janice Miller, Nancy Catalini, Secretary, and Kathryn Becker, COA Director.

The Secretary's Report for the September meeting was read and accepted with two (2) changes. The changes clarified the fee to MCOA, and for a new volunteer for the congregate lunch program. This report reflects those changes.

The Treasurer's Report reported paying Ashby's annual membership fee of \$500.00 to Montachusett Home Health Care. Also, a membership fee of \$125.00 was paid to MCOA.

The Director's Report was handed out to the members present. Some explanation was given for the transfer of the Meals-on-Wheels program from the Ashby Elementary School cafeteria to MOC in Fitchburg. The meals will be delivered to the Ashby Store 31 by a MOC driver, and our regular Ashby drivers will pick them up there and continue on to deliver the meals to our Ashby seniors.

Due to working new hours, Rosemary Wayrynen will need to have another volunteer take her place handling reservations for the congregate meals, which can no longer be held at the elementary school due to the change in venue. A new site is being considered.

The MART bus will soon be available five (5) days a week, date to be announced.

New Business:

VIN Etching will be provided by the Ashby Police and Fire Departments on October 30, 2010, from 9:00am – 2:00pm at the Ashby Public Library.

SHINE (Serving Health and Insurance Needs of Elders) --- Due to the recent health care reform, an explanation of changes and pertinent new information will be given at the Ashburnham Senior Center on October 25, 2010. Ashby COA members and Ashby's Seniors have been invited to lunch and the program.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 pm. The next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, November 9, 2010 at 3:30 pm at the Town Hall in the COA room.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy L. Catalini, Secretary