

COA Meeting Minutes
21 September 2017 9:30 AM

1. Meeting opened at 9:30 am
2. Attendance
Present: Terry Allen, Judy Hobart, JR, Sue Swartz and Jennifer Glover
Absent: Dave Evans, Thom Masterton
3. Approved Minutes for 4 May 2017 meeting – JR moved, Judy seconded.
4. Transit Authority membership
Jennifer says only one woman called saying she would like rides to Greenfield
Because of the funding reductions and route changes Sue moved, JR seconded that we vote for or against having the Select Board apply for membership in the FRTA. All members voted against such an application at this time.
5. Future Events –
 - a. Transfer Station – Jennifer will set up a Life Path table some weekend in October
 - b. Luncheon – Jennifer will ask the Police department about their collecting old prescription drugs and to see if an officer will stop by the senior lunch one Friday to tell the seniors about the program.
6. Other Business
 - a. Shutesbury Aging in Place
A grant was received through Lifepath from the Department of Housing and Community Development for \$15,000 to create and organize a non-profit group, Village Neighbors, which will cover Shutesbury, Wendell, Leverett, Pelham and New Salem.
JR moved and Sue seconded a motion to ask the Select Board to allow Village Neighbors to meet in Leverett.
 - b. Membership
Lisa Stratford will put a notice in the October Newsletter seeking new members for the COA.
 - c. Foot Clinic – Judy asked for a back-up person to fill in for her if she should be unavailable to schedule, collect the donations and prepare and submit the bills for the clinic. JR said she would be her back-up.
 - d. Medicare Open Enrollment – Terry will put information in the October Newsletter about calling SHINE to help seniors with this program.
 - e. Cap Tel Program to give hearing-impaired seniors a free phone with text. JR will add something in the October Newsletter describing this program.
 - f. Seniors going out to lunch – Terry told us that the Grant will no longer fund this except for volunteers with extensive documentation.
 - g. Caterer for senior lunch has to move and has made up changed menus for the rest of September and October
 - h. Terry has stepped down from representing Leverett Luncheon Club at the CAB meeting at Life Path and a new volunteer is wanted to take her place at their monthly meetings every third Wednesday of the month.
7. Next meeting – 19 October 2017 at 9:30AM
8. JR moved we adjourn at 10:20 AM, Sue seconded.