COA Board Meeting October 10,2017

The meeting was opened at 10:00AM with the following members present: Chairman Paula Babbin, Margaret Merritt, Nancy Paino, Larry Weldon and Judith Ward. Also present were Carole Julius, Director and Roberta DeCoste who was welcomed and voted in as a new board member.

The secretary's report was not available as our former secretary, Nancy Cassidy has resigned.

Carole reported that "All is going well." Our new activities director is doing a fine job and we are fortunate to have good leadership in all areas.

Paula reported that the sign will be installed soon in front of the COA, with solar lights.

The secretary's vacancy was filled by Peg Merritt. There was much discussion regarding the volunteer lunch that Shirley Perron, from the Friend's Board, chaired last year. A tentative date of November 29th was settled on. The list of volunteers was reviewed and revised. There was a consensus that there would be no special honors given for any one volunteer, as they all work hard and are appreciated.

Paula asked each board member for comments or questions.

Peg: What is the North River Home Care as mentioned in our newsletter? Carole: Connie has tapped into activities they offer, such as creating bookmarks and coloring designs.

Nancy: Will there be a sign-up for AED (defibilator) training and when?

Carole: Training is pending and she will check into it and let us know.

Ro: Is there a time frame for new COA? Computers at the COA would be helpful.

Carole: Computers are available at the library. Amy Sheperdson is very knowledgeable and helpful -- for any technology. COA does have WIFI.

There was discussion on the upcoming vote at the next town meeting to hire an archetect for an addition to the back of the library. Lack of a parking area is one problem.

Paula asked about changing the phone greeting. It was determined that none was needed. It is handled by the Adam"s Communication Center. Paula asked if the Friends had made progress on consolidating the Isabel Howes Trust Fund.

Carole: There is to be a meeting the next day and she will bring it up.

Ro made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Merrit