

April 10, 2018

Chairperson, Roberta DeCoste opened the meeting at 10:AM. Present were members Roberta Decoste, Margaret Merritt, Nancy Paino, Judith Ward, and Larry Weldon. Director Carole Julius was also present. Absent were Bernadette Hemingway and Colleen Preston.

Guests in attendance were Madeline Joyce, Nancy Ryan and Betty Sullivan.

The secretary's report was read. A motion was made by Judy to accept it, with the addition of David Siedentopf added to the list of building committee members. It was seconded by Larry.

Carole reported that the staff training on the defibulator was held and it will need to be replaced soon with an up-dated version. The town will see to its maintenance.

Carole announced that she, as well as Dawn, will be on vacation later this month.

Carole said that there is a fund with \$15,000, some of which may be available to be used on the current COA building. (The town warrant article to build onto the library was eliminated.) She will look into this further.

Ro and Carole discussed having researched the cost of a quality plaque in honor of Paula Babbin. After discussing it with Don, Paula's husband, an amount of \$200. was suggested and voted on. A motion was made by Judy and seconded by Nancy to ask the Friends Board for the money.

Ro asked why we don't have our new sign, ordered and paid for months ago. Carole will call the sign company again.

Ro gave the board members up-dated by-laws to review for discussion at our next meeting. She also distributed information on the current status of the board members terms. Elections will be held in May. All agreed to continue another year with the exception of Judy, who resigned, and she will check with Bernadette.

Nancy Ryan asked to speak further regarding the refurbishing of the COA building, inside and out. Various suggestions were offered. Ro asked about using some of the \$15,000 in this regard, even calling in professionals. Carole will check.

Madeline Joyce reminded everyone of the open house, May 5th and getting the posters out.

The next COA board meeting was set for May 8th. A motion was made by Ro to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Larry. (10:45)

Respectfully submitted,

*Margaret P. Merritt*  
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*clean by end of month  
design for \$5,000  
new COA*