

**HAMILTON SENIOR CENTER MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2020**

Present:

Betty Gray, Sherry Leonard (Board chair), Mary Beth Lawton (director),
Nancy Longval, Stephen Walsh, Linda Spong, Penny Wingate (secretary),

The meeting opened at 8:32 AM

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the December 4 meeting were approved as presented.

Director's Report

Mary Beth handed each board member a copy of the Summary of the Conflict Interest Law for Municipal Employees. Each board member is asked to read and sign the Acknowledgement form and send to the Town Hall either in person, mailing or faxing.

Mary Beth expressed her gratitude for the formation of a Friends Board which will be headed by Breeda Garmil. The first meeting date has not yet been scheduled.

The necessary procedure has been completed and submitted regarding the Formula Grant.

Mary Beth talked briefly about the dire situation regarding many of our Hamilton seniors who are finding it difficult, because of expenses, to remain in their houses.

Mary Beth already sent the link to the proposed survey. Board members should review this and be prepared to discuss at a board meeting.

CATA – a program for bus and van services is now in place. Town Hall has formed a new board regarding transportation and will keep the COA.

Town email addresses for board members are available for each member and should be used for all correspondence regarding COA business.

Mandatory Ethics Training – It is necessary for every board member to complete the survey each year. A link to this training is:

Employee vacancy: Mary Beth has received resumes and is in the process of reviewing them.

Board Vacancy

Board members expressed a desire to add a new person to the board as soon as possible.

New Business

Consideration of a board sub-committee regarding affordable housing in Hamilton.

The meeting ended at 9:27 AM. The next meeting will be at 8:30 AM on February 5, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Wingate