Age-Friendly Meeting Minutes December 10, 2019 5:30 p.m.

Attendees: Leroy Walker, Jan Biron, Belinda Gerry, Frank Pippin, Diana Pippin, Cindy Larrabee, Diane Vincent, Sally Gagnon, Dana Morrell, Brenda Brann, Sue Patneaude-Harmon, Larry Pelletier and Mamie Ney

- I. Opening Statements The meeting opened at 5:31 p.m.
- II. Minutes of 11/12/19 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Diane Vincent to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Larry Pelletier. All in favor.
- III. Thanksgiving dinner went very well. Over 150 people attended. 20 took dinners home. Hannaford, Walmart, Reenergy, John Morrison and Shaw's donated either food or money. Cash donations received at the dinner totaled \$273.00.
- IV. December 13th movie will be White Christmas. Cookies and popcorn will be available. We need volunteers.
- V. Thursday social hours Second and Fourth Thursdays of each month. The second Thursday will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring a lunch. Games will be available, or a speaker will be present. The fourth Thursday will include a social hour and luncheon and will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. During this time we may offer a movie. There will be no speakers. There will be a small charge for the luncheon.

It was suggested that Jamie put out a flyer with all of the scheduled events into local stores and to Auburn Housing to send to all the housing locations.

Applications for city funding of programs has not been approved at this time.

- VI. New Year's Day We will have a luncheon with music. Jamie will set up the TV to a 30 second countdown which will take place at 11:59.30. All seniors are invited. Luncheon will include finger rolls, chips, pickles, black and green olives and desserts. The event will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Members were asked to invite people to the event.
- VII. Senior Center office is all set up. Jamie's office is now in the building. The computer should be set up for seniors soon.
- VIII. Wheelchair charging stations. Belinda will get information tomorrow. The manager wants to identify other locations as well as the bus station. Belinda was asked to encourage them to move on it soon. Auburn bus station and library should be the first ones installed.
- IX. Open Session
 - A. Sue asked if there are any bylaws. Leroy responded that there are. Jan is also working on the Action Plan for the group.
 - B. Larry asked if we could do anything to defray the cost of a movie. Leroy explained that we have a sponsor for the first movie. Jamie is looking into our getting a blanket license.

- C. Frank asked to invite Dana to our FASC Christmas Dinner. She declined. This was not an Age-Friendly subject and should have been addressed at a First Auburn Senior Citizen meeting (prior to making the invitation.)
- D. Frank asked if we could extend the deadline for meals for FASC to be the Friday before the meal. He was told to bring it before the FASC board.
- E. Dana stated that we should all be about seniors. Sally felt that the groups should be separate.
- F. Sue proposed talking about the specifics of the bylaws and who should be at the table.
- G. Mamie Ney stated that there are three companies that license movies. Mamie wrote down the names of the companies:
 - 1. Motion Picture Licensing
 - 2. Swank Movie Licensing, USA
 - 3. Criterion Pictures, USA
- H. Leroy explained the differences between First Auburn Seniors and Age-Friendly. Age-Friendly is a group that can bring people together, help with issues and get help through a network for information. First Auburn Senior Citizens is a social group that pays dues, has its own bylaws and functions separately from other organizations. It offers meals, events, trips, etc. for members only.

A lot of people don't realize what Age-Friendly is about. Age-Friendly is a member of the AARP Age-Friendly network and we can apply for grants for our programs, supplies, events, etc. It was suggested that Leroy go to a New Auburn Senior Citizen meeting and tell them again about the group.

Sue stated that the group has to report back to the city about what is lacking and connect people with the resources that already exist.

Our accomplishments include:

- 1. Socialization to combat loneliness
- 2. Farmers Market to combat food insecurity
- 3. Wheelchair Charging Stations
- X. Adjournment: 6:58 p.m. Motion by Cindy Larrabee and second by Larry Pelletier. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jan Biron Secretary