

Age-Friendly Community Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2025
5:30 p.m.

- I. Attendees: Leroy Walker, Frank Pippin, Jan Biron, Sally Gagnon, Bill and Tina Eugley, Donna Wallace, Diane Vincent, Stan Harmon, Dana Morrell, Debbie Bechard, Ed Burgess, Bob Cavanagh, and Jody and Jenna (Recreation Department)
Absent: Belinda Gerry, Cindy Larrabee, Ben Weisner
- II. Meeting opened at 5:30 p.m. with the review of the February 11, 2025 minutes. Motion by Frank Pippin to accept. Second by Diane Vincent. All in favor.
- III. Valentine's Day Event – Everyone was pleased with the event. There were 125 people signed up, and 110 attended. Age-Friendly is putting on an Easter event on April 19th. As usual, doors open at 10:00 a.m. with lunch being served at 12:00. Volunteers should be at the senior center by 8:00 a.m. Frank will oversee the donations basket.
- IV. Renee Bucknell's replacement has been hired. Jenna Payne has taken her place. Jenna said that we will have a movie on the third Tuesday of June. The movie and time TBD.
- V. Peanut butter has been given to Paul Bernard. The homeless are very thankful.
- VI. Lobster feed update: Ben Weisner was absent. Postponed to the next meeting.
- VII. Open Session:
- A. Frank thanked Age-Friendly for supporting the Vet's breakfast. The next one will be held on June 1st. He requested a donation of \$300.00. Stan made a motion for the donation of \$300.00. Second by Diane Vincent. All in favor. The cost is normally \$10.00, but the \$300.00 donation should cover the cost. Vets are free. Age-Friendly pays for spouses
- B. Jody passed around a flyer re: lunch & learns. Friday, May 16th at 1:00 will be a lunch & learn about vascular disease. Dr. Nathan Aranson will do the presentation. A pizza lunch will be served at 12:00 with the presentation at 1:00. Leroy suggested that Age-Friendly pay for six lunch & learns and the Recreation Department would pay for an additional six. Motion by Frank. Second by Dana. All in favor.
- C. Clothing give-away will be held at the 121 Mill Street warming center on Sunday, May 18th with set up on Saturday, May 17th after 2:00 for set-up. We are accepting spring/summer clothing.
- D. Dana Morrell asked Ed about the Veterans' camper building. Senator King wants to expand the program to include family campers. People all over the state are asking for them. "Veterans in the Valley" at Lost Valley has put a video on Facebook, which was filmed inside a camper.
- E. Leroy informed the group that Age-Friendly will be selling hot dogs and beverages this year. We will need more volunteers. We are not supposed to be blocked out like we were last year. The festival will take place on August 15, 16 and 17 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday.) We will offer only mustard and ketchup for the dogs. Leroy said that we will have containers for the mustard and ketchup because the little packets would be all over the ground. We will serve only brown hot dogs.
- VIII. Motion to adjourn by Frank Pippin. Second by Tina Eugley. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Biron, Secretary